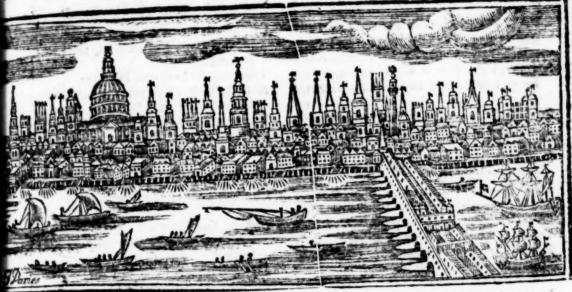
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M A Y, 1747.

From the SUPPLEMENT to the LONDON GAZETTE.

Admiralty-Office, May 16.



APT. Denis, of his Majesty's Ship the Centurion, arrived this Day with an Express from Vice - Admiral Anjon, giving an Account, that A on the 3d Instant, the Squadron under hisCom-

mand, confifting of the following Ships, viz. Ships. Commanders. Vice-Adm. Anfon 390 Prince George, Capt. Bentley, Devonshire, Namur, Monmouth, Prince Frederick, Capt. Norris, 64 Yarmouth, Capt. Brett, 64 Princels Louisa, Capt. Wattfon, 60 Defiance, Capt. Grenville, 60 Nottingham, Capt. Saumerez, 60 Pembroke, Capt. Fincher, 60 Windfor, Capt. Hanway, 60 Centurion, Capt. Denis, 50 Falkland, Capt. Barradel, Briftol, Hon.Capt. W. Montagu 50 Ambuscade, Capt. John Montagu 40 Falcon Sloop, Capt. Gwynn, Vulcan Fireship, Capt. Pattigrew,

Being off Cape Finisterre, which bore S. 1 E. a French Fleet, confifting of thirty-eight Ships, nine of which shortened Sail, and were drawing into a Line of Battle a-head; and the rest of the Fleet, which appeared to be under their Convoy; Aretched to the Westward with all the Sail they could fet, May, 1747.

Mr. Anson formed his Fleet into a Line, but observing, by the Motions of the Enemy, that their Aim was to gain Time, and endeavour to escape under Favour of the Night, he made the Signal for the whole Fleet to chace, and engage the Enemy, without any Regard to the Line of Battle. The Centurion, Capt. Denis, having got up with the sternmost French Ship about Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, began to engage her, upon which two of the Enemy's largest Ships bore down to her Affistance. Namur, Defiance, and Windfor, being the next headmost Ships, soon entered into the Action, and after having disabled those French Ships, in such a Manner that the Rear-Adm. Warren 66 British Ships a-stern must food condition 16 B ping; as did also several other Ships of the Fleet. The Yarmouth and Devonshire having got up and engaged the Enemy, and the Prince George being near the Invincible, and going to fire into her, all the Ships in the Enemy's Rear struck their Colours between Six and Seven o'Clock, as did all those which were in the Line, before Night. Vice-Admiral Anfon brought to at Seven, having detached the Monmouth, Yarmouth, and Nattirgham, to purfue the Convoy, who then bore W. by S. at about four or five Leagues Distance, so that there are Hopes of having a very good Account of them. The Falcon Sloop, which the Vice-Admiral distant twenty-four Leagues, fell in with D had sent after the Convoy during the Action, with Orders to make Signals for a Guidance to the other Ships, returned to the Fleet the next Day with the Dartmouth Indiaman. The Number and Quality of the Ships taken from the Enemy, are as fol-

lows, viz.

Ships.

Success of the Admirals ANSON and WARREN.

Thips of War belonging to the French King.

Ships	Commanders	Guns	Men	
Le Scrieux,	M.de la Jonquiere, Chief d'Escadre.	366	556	
1. Invincible,	M. de St. George		700	
le Diamont,	Hoquart,	56	450	
le Jason,	Beccard,	5%	355	
Le Rubis,	M Carty,	52	328	
Le Giorre,	Saleffe,	44	-	

East-India Company's Ships fittedeas Mon of War.

	Commanders	Gurs	Men
l. Apollon,	De Santons,	30	132
Le Philibert,	Ceilie,	30	170
e Thetis,	Macon,	20	100
East-India S/	ip taken by the	Falcon Slo	op.
e Dartmouth	, Penoche,	13	

The Loss on our Side was not very confiderable, except that of Capt. Grenwille, of the Defiance, who was an excellent Officer, and whose Death cannot be sufficiently lamented. Capt. Esseawen, of the Namur, was wounded in the Shoulder with a Mufket Ball, but is in a very fair Way of Re- C covery.

The French Chief d'Escadre, M. de la Jonquiere, was shot under the Blade Bone of both his Shoulders, but it was thought he would recover. One of the French Captains was killed, and another loft his Leg.

Most of our Ships have suffered in their Masts and Rigging.

To this Account published by Authority, we fall add the two following.

HAVING an Opportunity of fending you a particular Account of the late Engagement with the French Fleet, in which our Ship bore a great Share, I gladly undertake the Task, and shall only just E them their Convoy crowded to Leeward. mention what happened before the Engagement, in regard to our Intelligence.

The first Account we had of these Ships, was by the Hampton-Court, a few Days before we left Plymouth, from whence we failed the 9th of April, under the Command of Admiral Anfan in the Prince George, and Admiral Warren in the Devonshire, and cruized off Ufbant and Breff till the 20th; at which Time we left that Station, and stood well to the South - West, in order to make Cape Finisterre. The 25th the Falk-Land joined us, (who had been dispatched by the Admiral, to look into the French Ports in the Bay) and brought an Account, that two Days fince they faw about 40 Sail of Ships in St. Martin's, with their Top- G fails loofe : Hereupon our very diligent Admiral made the Signal for the Line of Battle a boad, at two Miles diffant, which fpread the Sea, and gave us great Hopes of seeing fomething within so Leagues; having in

Company 13 Ships of the Line, besides Frigates and Fireships; the former being mostly employ'd as Scouts, for Intelligence.

The next Account we had, was from one of these Scouts, who came into the Fleet at 7 o'Clock in the Morning (on Sun-A day, M.y 3) with a Signal to fpeak with the Admiral, having feen and been chased by Part of the above-mentioned 40 Ships, the Evening before: Here our Hopes were well grounded, and our Admiral made the

Signal for the Line, as ufual. I now come to feeing the French Fleet, and it happened to be the Namur's Lot; for as our Line was formed on the Star-B board Tack, and we being the oldest Captain lead on it, fo of Confequence was the headmost Ship of our Squadron; which was now reduced to 13 Sail of the Line, one Frigate, one Sloop, and one Firethip, fome of which are chafing. At about Half an Hour after 8 in the Morning, we made a Signal for feeing a strange Fleet to Leeward; immediately the Admiral hawled down the Signal for the Line of Battle, and made the Signal for the whole Fleet to chace. At Noon we came near the Enemy, who was laying to in a Line of Battle ahead, on the Starboard Tack, in all 17 Sail; foon after, our Admiral made the Signal for all Cruizers to come into the Fleet, and for the Line of Battle a-head; at which Time we took Reefs in the Topfails (as is usual when going to engage) and began to form the Line on the Starboard Tack. (Here the Namur leads.) The French observing, that we were not to be bullied by their 17 Sail, and knowing if they run, their Convoy must fall into our Hands, dropped all but 9 from the Line; and with At 1 in the Afternoon, our Admiral made the Signal for those who lead, to lead large: At Two the French hawled down their Signal for the Line, and began to run for it, (as their Convoy was now well a head;) upon which our Admiral hawled down his Signal for the Line of Battle, and made the Signal for the whole Fleet to chace; and at about Half an Hour past Two made the Signal to engage: At Three we came within Gun fhot of the Sternmost of the Ene-

my, and they began to fire their Sternchace at us; but not regarding that, we flood on, and foon came near four or five of them, where we were very warmly engaged on both Sides, and had no Ship to our Affistance but the Centurion and Difiance; the former foon loft his Main-top-Maft, and of Confequence dropt a-ftern; tho' Capt. Dennis behaved himfelf like a brave experienced Officer, in using all posfible Dispatch to come into Action again;

and the brave Capt. Grenville, of the Defiance, (who unfortunutely lost his Life) observing how desperate the Namur was beset, got on our Starboard-bow, and took most of the Fire of one Ship from us.

After about an Hour's Engagement with 5 Ships, we shot the Invincible's Maintop-mast away, who of Consequence dropt A aftern; then we made Sail a-head and engaged the French Admiral within Pistol-shot, for about one Hour and an Half; at which Time he struck to us, as did another on the Larboard-bow, and one on the Starboard-bow; but I believe the latter as

much to the Defiance as to us.

The French being by this Time pretty well reduced, our Admiral made the Yarmouth, Monmouth, Nottinglam, and Ambuscade, the Signal to chace the Convoy. -We had 13 Men killed in the Engagement and 6; wounded; amongst the latter was the Captain in the Right Shoulder with a Mulket-Ball, the third Lieutenant much wounded in the right Groin, the Master in the right Knee, aud a Marine Officer thro' C the Body with a Musket. Ball, and died in Half an Hour after. Our Main-mast has five that thro' it, the Fore-mast three, and the Mizen-mast one; the Mizen-yard shot away, the Main-yard much wounded, and the Rigging fo much, that only two Mainshrouds were left whole, and four of the Fore-shrouds; and for the Running Rigging, there was none left to hawl up or D lower down a Sail; and of the Sails that were left, I believe there is not a Cloth but what has a Shot thro' it.

I am, Yours, &c.

Extrast of a Letter from on board bis Majefly's bip the Windson, in Plymouth Sound, May 15, 1747.

HIS comes to inform you, that in Latitude 43. 46. Longitude 3. 50. West, if accounted from the Meridian of the Lizard, on Sunday, the 3d of May, at Eight o'Clock in the Morning, we saw 36 Sail of Ships, whom we supposed to be French, and indeed found them to be fo: At Two o'Clock we took in two Reefs in our Topfails, flung the Yards, knock'd down all the Cabbins, and all the Bulk-Heads, and cleared the Ship for fighting, we being in Chace with the Hon. Admiral Anfon, Vice-Admirel of the Blue, and Admiral Warren, Rear-Admiral of the White, who had 13 Sail of the Line of Battle Ships, &c. the Wind N. E. our Courfe South 31°; and at half an Hour past Two, the Admiral made the Signal for the Line of Battle abreaft, observing that nine of the French brought to, and formed the Line of Battle on the Starboard Tacks, to engage: But at Three a Clock, observing our superior Force,

they wore, and feemed to go away at large, with their Larboard Tacks at the Cat-Heads; upon which the Admiral made the general Signal to chace and form the Line of Battle, without Regard to Seniority, and foon after, the Signal to engage; at Four o'Clock we hawled down the small Sails, and bunted the Main-Sail, and about Half an Hour after, the Centurion began the Engagement, being seconded by the Namur; but the former dropt a-stern after three or four Broadfides, having his Main-top-mast that away. By this Time we came alongfide the French Admiral of 64 Guns, feconded by the Invincible, another French Ship of War of 76 Guns, whom we engaged very close about an Hour and Half; the French Admiral dropt a stern, and would certainly have raked us fore and aft, had it not been for the Namur, who immediately poured a Broadfide into him; after the Namur, the Devenshire, Rear-Admiral Warren, clapt him along-fide the Prince George, Vice-Admiral Anfon, to whom the struck, having a great many Men killed, his Main-top-mait thot away, and Hull, Rigging, and Sails, tore to Pieces: The Admiral having flruck, the Invincible foon did the like, having his Main-mast shot away, and his Rigging, Sails, and Hull, much shattered, by our Ship, Rear-Admiral Warren, and the Defiance, who dif-charged feveral Broadfides into him; and it was in this Beginning of the Action that we lost the Captain of the Defiance, whose brave and gallant Behaviour cannot be too much spoken of, and will certainly perpetuate to his Memory a lasting Monument of Fame. After this, we made as much Sail as we could after two French Ships of War, who were trying to run away, but the Sternmost was soon obliged to firike to the Namur and the Falkland. We pursued the Diamond, a French 54 Gun Ship, offinately, till we had him alongfide, and the fecond Broadfide we gave him, he struck, his Fore-mast being shot away, and his Hulls, Sails and Rigging very much damaged; this was the ninth Ship that ftruck .-- Never was a Piece of better Conduct than the French Admiral shewed, in drawing up five Sail of the Line of Battle Ships, and four Sail of Frigates, to fight 13 Sail of the Line of Battle Ships, Frigates, &c. in order that the Transperts which he had under his Convoy might have an Opportunity of getting off; and, to fay the Truth, they all shewed their Courage was not loft, for none of them offered to strike till their Ships were so disabled that they could not work them .- The Admiral fent Commodore Harrison, and two more Ships of Force, after the Remainder of the French Fleet, who, we believe, will

206. P. of Orange's Speech to the States-General, &c. May

bring a good Account of them .o'Clock at Night our Fore-top-malt came down, being that thro' ten Feet above the Cap: We had likewife feveral Shot in our Lower Mast, and a great many in the Hull, and two of our Guns were rendered unserviceable, by having their Trunnions that off: We fired above 600 great Shot, A and 400 Weight of Musket-Shot. Our Ship loft in the Action Lieut. Secretard, of the Marines, four more killed, and eighteen dangeroully wounded.

Speech of his Screne Highness the Prince of ORANGE and NASSAU, when he was B introduced into the Affembly of the STATES GENERAL. (See p. 217, 218, 236.)

High and Mighty Lords,

HAD the Honour the Day before Yesterday of being informed by the Deputies of your illustrious Eody, who came to me, that your High Mightineffes had appointed C to the Lord, that through his Goodness we me Captain General, and Admiral in Chief of the United Provinces. Upon the first View of such a Burthen, I could not but doubt of my Ability to support it; above all, when I consider that such a Station requires, that the Person who is invested with it, should be Master of Military Knowledge, of which I have never yet had an Opportunity to gain Experience; D When the Prince was introduced to the Counto supply which Deficiency, I have applied my utmest Application to the Study of it, and will yet double it.

I know, High and Mighty Lords, the Importance of the Confidence you are pleafed to place in me; my chief Care will be to merit it, by endeavouring to answer your Expectations. Whatever Diftrust I E Nassau has been raised to the eminent Dig-have of my own Abilities, I put my Trust nity of Stadtholder, Captain General and in the Aid of the Almighty, whose Direction has been too manifest, for me to refuse to accept of that Destination to which the Divine Providence has called me. Unanimity with which your High Mightinesses made Choice of me, has not a little contributed to make that Appointment agreeable to me.

But when I reflect on what that Trust demands from me, I confider also what the prefent Situation of the Republick does require, at a Time when it is attack'd by a powerful Enemy, abounding in Refources, whilft the Strength of the State is in fome Measure enervated, by a Decline of its Commerce, by a Neglect of Discipline G among the Troops, and from another Caule not less important, namely, a great Remiffnels in the Practice of Religious Wor-

I always implore the Aid of that God

who has been the Support of my illustrious Ancestors; and as I propose to tread in their Steps, I hope to experience the same Divine Protection, and that by giving up my Person, Life, and Fortune, as they have done before me, I shall be able, as they were, to refcue the Republick from the Danger with which the is at prefent threatened.

And fince it has pleafed the God of Armies to make use of me as his Instrument, for the Welfare of this People, to whose Defence I have dedicated myfelf, I could have wished that the Opportunity had offered fooner, for me to have afted in Concert with your High Mightinesses, to the End that the Republick, being delivered from all its Dangers, might be restored to that ancient Luftre, Splendor, and Confideration with which she long appeared to all the Powers of Europe.

That Time is over, and 'tis with Regret I fee, that thirty Years of Peace have not recovered it. Let us double our Prayers may be preserved against the Enterprizes of our Fnemies; and that fo long as there shall remain Kingdoms and Republicks upon Earth, that of the United Provinces may enjoy the inestimable Benefits of her Liberty, and the Preservation of the Reserm'd Reli-

cil of State by Count BENTINCK, but Lordship made the following SPEECH.

Noble and Mighty Lords,

T has pleased the Divine Providence to direct Events in such Manner, that his Serene Highness the Prince of Orarge and nity of Stadtholder, Captain General and Admiral of the Union. It is in this Quality, Noble and Mighty Lords, and by Order of their High Mightinesses, that we have the Honour of introducing this Prince amongst you, conformable to the fundamental Laws of this State, and to the Instruction of this Council. We hope that the Re-establishment of the antient Form of Government, will likewife re-establish Concord in the Republick, and will cause our Deliberations to be brought sooner than heretofore to Maturity, will give the necessary Activity to the Refult of fuch Deliberations, and will occasion a wife Distribution of Punishments and Rewards, without which a Government cannot subsist.

It is by this Means, and by the Conduct of the Princes of Orange, that our Country has raised itself to that high Pitch of Felicity and Grandeur, from which it has lately fallen, so as to have neither Force nor Di-

rection,

rection, and to be the Derifion of its Enenies, and an useless Burtben to its Friends. We doubt not but the Prince, which we have the Honour of prefenting to you, will tread in the Steps of his glorious Ancestors, and will heartily concur with us in delivering the Republick, partly already fwallowed up, and in preserving us from the Yoke of A a treacherous and deceirful Neighbour, who makes a Jeft of good Faith, Honour, and Treaties favorn to in the most folemn Manner. We are perfuaded that the happiest Effects will fully answer the Expectation of the whole Nation, and will justify the universal Affection which the People have hewn this Prince; an Affection which can never be effaced by Time, nor rooted B up by Art. The eminent Qualities of his Serene Highness are certain Indications of the Excellence of a Choice, the most unanimous that a People ever made, and of which Hiftory cannot furnish us with an Example. We intreat you to render to his Serene Highness the Honours due to his Rank and Dignity, and we pray God to C bless your Deliberations, and to direct them for the certain Welfare of our dear Country, and for the Preservation of our Republick and Liberties.

French General, to the Doge and Senate of D GENOA.

Serene Prince! Most Excellent Lords!

THE most powerful Monarch of Europe, and (what is not the least Title) the most faithful to his Engagements, has sent me to participate with you in your Labour and in your Glory.

He has order'd me to declare to you, that he is refolv'd, whatever it may cost him, to restore to this generous and unfortunate Republick, the Splendor and Independency which the most barbarous Nations would blush in an Attempt to deprive you of.

In your Missortunes, I can't help thinking it a great Advantage, that the most honourable Courses are inseparable from sound Policy: Indeed, if your Enemies should propose the most specious Capitulation to you, what Considence can you place in a Power so determin'd to enslave you, as the Court of Vienna seems to be: It has destroyed your Fortunes; it has attempted to reduce you to the vilest Sla-Gvery; by the Mouth even of its General, it has threaten'd your Citizens with the most insamous Punishment; (see p. 220.) but it has not yet been in its Power to rob you either of your Honour or your Liber-

ty: These inestimable Things, a thousand Times more precious than Life itself, you are still possess dos. 'Tis to yourselves that you owe this happy Revolution, which has been effected without, and even prevented, the Succours of your Aslies; 'tis your present Actions, illustrious Republick! which render you the Emulators of that ancient Rome, of that Senate, whose Courage the Presence of Hannibal, and even a victorious Army, then under the Walls of that City, could not shake.

Never lose Sight, therefore, of your real Interests; on the one Hand you see hame and Slavery, on the other, Glory and Li-

Above all Things, never cease to hope in Providence, which ever detested Tyranny: The wonderful Things it has done for you have too strongly the Mark of Divinity upon them, for you not to second them with your utmost Efforts.

Time is precious, let us not employ it in vain Deliberations: Let one Spirit animate us: In fhort, Most Excellent Lords, vouchfase to put Confidence in one who has your Liberty more at Heart than any Man on Earth.

I shall be the better Frenchman, in becoming the most zealous of your Citizens: Shew me Danger, my Duty is to encounter it; I will make it the utmost of my Glory to secure you from it.

M. Var Hoey baving notified to the French Court the Appointment of the Prince of ORANGE to be STADTHOLDER of the United Provinces, the Marquis de Puyfieux, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, return'd him the following Answer.

SIR,

HAVE received the Letter with which your Excellency honoured me, dated the 13th Instant: I have acquainted the King with the Orders which were given you by your Masters, namely, to communicate to his Majesty the Resolution taken by them to raise my Lord the Prince of Naffau to the Dignity of Captain-General, and Admiral of the Forces of the United Provinces, both by Sea and Land, in the fame Manner as held and enjoyed by his illustrious Ancestors. The King commands me to affure you, Sir, That he shall always fee with Pleasure whatever can contribute to the Prosperity and Peace of the Republick. And if that be the Consequence of this, his Majesty will be beforehand in his Joy. I am, with the most perfect Attachment, Sc. At Verfailles, May 14, 1747.

Of INSURING our ENEMIES SHIPS.

SIR.

A LATE Advertisement relating to the Insurers of our Enemies Ships during a Time of War, has led me to the following Reflections, which I could wish all Perfons concerned in such, (I had almost said, insamous Practice) would duly consider, and might then hope to see it abolished.

I know but one Shadow of an Argument in Defence of this Practice, viz. that the Premiums being 20 or 30 per Cent. a Quarter Part at least of all our Enemies Trade, if insured bere, must be our Insurers, and consequently our Country gains B a Quarter Part of their Trade, whether the

Ships be taken or not.

This, I think, is the whole Force of their Reasonings; and this, it must be acknowledged, is true; but still, if these Gentlemen will please to consider the ill Consequences arising from this Practice, they will, I think, be obliged to own, the C Loss by far out-balances the Gain. For,

ships, if insured here, must be refunded by the Insurers; so that our Country is not enriched by the Capture, whatever Benefit the Persons who take them may receive thereby. The Quarter Part Premium is the only Benefit the Nation receives, which must have been also received if the Ship D

had performed the Voyage.

2dly, If our Insurers get any Intelligence from abroad, they will certainly secrete it; for if our Enemy's Ships are taken, they must lose what they have insured; and it can hardly be expected, that our Insurers will be of such a publick Spirit as to hurt themselves, even for the Good of their E Country, much less when they make it of no Advantage at all to have the Ships of an Enemy taken.

3dly, If, on the contrary, the Insurers get any Intelligence where our Men of War, &c. are stationed, (and how easily may that be done for Money?) Will they not, for their own Interest, communicate it to our Enemies, to prevent the Ships they have insured from falling into our Hands? Thus Britens are led to betray their own Country! Thus all our well-laid Schemes are frustrated, our brave Sailors disappointed, and even our Governors are blamed, through the Treachery of those, whom I cannot help thinking the worst of Enemies to their Country.

atbly, Which I think still more prejudicial, is that our chief Merchants, who are the greatest Insurers, are by this Means prevented from fitting out Privateers to cruize upon our Enemy's Ships, contenting

themselves with the Premium for Underwriting. Thus, instead of endeavouring to distress the Enemy, these Men do all they can to promote their Trade, when there is Reason to think, they could hardly carry it on if not thus supported.

I could add several Things more against this Practice, but as I would not be tedious, I shall not mention them, and wish a more masterly Hand would dress up these Hints in a stronger Manner, so as they may produce the desired happy Essets, viz. of promoting the true Interests of our Country. I am, &c.

A MERCHANT.

ENCOMIUM on the Prince of ORANGE.

HE Veneration which is now paid to the Virtues of the Prince of Orarge, by the greatest and wifest Commonwealth in the World, in their Advancement of him to the chief Command of their Land and Sea-Forces, cannot but give Pleafure to Britons as well as Dutchmen. Who that remembers the Year 1734, when his Screne Highness was in England, and married the Princess Royal, can forget how all Tongues were united in his Praise, and how glad all Hearts were when his present Majesty was pleased to fign the Contract for transplanting the Fairest Branch of the Harover Family into a House not less illustrious than his own, for defending and promoting the Liberties of Mankind, and the Protestant Religion? This fingle Confideration alone must endear him to every Englishman, and render his Election to the great Trust he is now vested with, as agreeable to us as it is important to the Dutch, who, it is not doubted, will now take the most vigorous Measures against France, under the Auspices of two Princes fo nearly related to his Britannick Majesty, and so well beloved by the Troops both of Britain and Holland.

The Name of ORANGE was ever dear to Protestants, so long since as the Reign of Henry VIII. when we read, that a Prince of Orange, at the Head of the Imperial Army, took the Pope of Rome (Clement VII.) and thirteen of his Cardinals, Prisoners in

the Castle of St. Angelo.

It is remarkable, that the present Prince of Orange, as Heir to the House of Frielland, was Stadtholder of three of the Provinces before his Election to the other four; and that he is now become Stadtholder-General of all the Seven United Provinces, an Honour of which none of his Ancestors could boast, not even the last Stadtholder, our glorious King WILLIAM.

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An Attempt towards forwing, that the HE-REDITARY JURISDICTIONS and OP-PRESSIVE TENURES in SCOTLAND, not enly may, but ought to be abolified by PARLIAMENT. Continued from p. 159. PARLIAMENT.

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HUS it is clear, I think, to a Demonfration, that the Hereditary Jurisdictions and Superiorities in Scotland must always operate more strongly against our prefent happy Establishment, than they can ever operate in its Favour; and I shall add this Observation, That in Countries where no particular Princes or Nobles are invested with any great ower over a Multitude of People, the Government can never be in B Danger of an Infurrection or Rebellion, whilit wife, just, and mild Measures are purfued by those employed in the Adminiffcation; but in Countries where particular Princes are vested with great Powers over Multitudes of People, the extravagant Ambition, or unjust Resentment of two or three of these Princes, with the Affistance C so visibly their own Interest. of a foreign Enemy, may raife a dangerous Rebellion against the most just and mild Government. A general popular Difcontent can never in any Country arife without just Grounds; but two or three great Lords may become discontented, because the Government will not allow them to oppress their Neighbours, or plunder their

Therefore it must be admitted, that the Abolishing of the Hereditary Jurisdictions and oppressive Tenures in Scotland, will certainly tend to prevent Rebellions, and to secure the internal Tranquillity of the United Kingdoms; and that it would tend to the promoting of Trade, Manufactures and Fisheries, what has happen'd in Eng- E land fince the Reigns of Henry the 7th, and 8th, is a manifest Proof. Would any rich Merchant or Manufacturer chuse to settle in a Country, where he must be subject to the Oppressions and Extortions of some little Fellow appointed Steward, Bailiff, or Undersheriff, by the noble Family that has hereditarily vested in it the Jurisdiction; and against which he can expect no Redress, F without putting himfelf to vast Trouble and Expence? Nay, if he attempts to feek Redress, he must leave the Country; for from that Moment all the People of the Country would, at the Instigation of their hereditary Lord, unite against him, and absolutely refule to have any Dealings with him. I have heard, and have Reason to believe, that G some of those great Lords possessed of Hereditary Jurisdictions, do not chuse to have any Strangers, especially if they are rich, come to fettle in their Coun-Ty. As Serjeant Kite in the Play refuled May, 1747

to inlift a Schoolmafter, left he should write Petitions, fo they endeavour to prevent rich Strangers coming to fettle in their Country, left they should oppose their arbitrary Decrees, and teach Independency to

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their Feople. From the very Nature of Things we have leason to believe, that there is some Truth in what I advance; for there are fo many natural Ports upon the western Coast of Scotland, and they lie so convenient for the Whale, Cod, and Herring Fifheries, and for the West India, Portugal, Mediterranean, and African Trade, that, I am convinced, some of our Merchants and Manufacturers would have settled there before now, if they could have expected Encouragement and Protection from the People of the Country; and we cannot fuppole, that the poorer Sort would have been against Mens bringing Money and Trade into their Country, if they had not by their arbitrary Masters been spuited up, or rather compelled to act against what was

Glasgow is now the most flourishing City for Trade in Scotland; and as in several Parts of the Coast to the Northward, as well as in fome of the Islands, more com modious Harbours might be made at a finall Expence, it may reasonably be expected, that if those Hereditary Jurisdictions and oppressive Tenures were abolished, and proper Encouragement given by the Government, some new and flourishing Cities would be foon begun to be erected in the Islands, or upon the Coast to the Northward of Glafgow; and by the Example of the People fettled in those Cities, a Spirit of Industry and Manufacture would foon be fpread over the whole Highlands and North of Scotland; for as Provisions and Labour are vaftly cheap in that Country, if the Natives did not, Strangers would certainly refort thither and fet up Manufactures, as foon as they found they had a neighbouring Port from whence they could export their Goods, and that they could live as fafely and as independently there, as in any other Part of the Kingdom.

Even the Price as well as the Revenues of Land Estates in that Country would soon be confiderably raised, because there would foon be an Increase of Purchasers; for as to fmall Freehold Estates by Socage or Few Tenure, there are now hardly any fuch to be purchased in the whole Country; and as to large Estates, a Gentleman will never furely purchase in a County, where neither he nor any of his Posterity can well expect to be chosen the Representative of his County in Parijament, unless he makes himself the Slave of some neighbouring Lord, who has the hereditary Sheriffship of the County,

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and consequently is Master of the Return, when the least Cavil or Doubt can be pretended with regard to the Election.

In thort, the many good Confequences attending the Abolifiment of thefe Hereditary Jurisdictions and oppressive Tenures are so apparent, that I am surprised to see any of the Proprietors fo devoid of Publick A Spirit as to oppose it, especially as his Majefty and the Parliament feem willing to allow them an adequate Satisfaction. That they are to be allowed any Satisfaction, they should look on as a Favour from the Publick, because, if the Nature of our Constitution were to be strictly enquired into, it might perhaps be made appear, that the Crown never had a Right to grant, nor any Subject a Right to hold an Hereditary Jurisdiction over any particular District; and the Parliament of Scotland was long before the Union fo fensible of this, that in the Year 1445, all Regalities then in the King's Hands were by an Act then paffed annexed to the Royalty; and it was enacted, that in Time to come, no Regalities should C be granted without Confent of Parliament. And in the Year 1584, another Act was made, by which all Jurisdictions not ap-proved by King or Parliament were abolifhed.

As neither of these Acts was ever thought to be an Incroachment upon the Prerogative of the Crown, we must conclude, that no fuch Jurisdictions ever could, by the D Scottish Law, be granted without the Authority of Parliament; and if any fuch were ever granted by King and Parliament, they were not, certainly, granted for the private Emolument of the Grantee, but for the Publick Good; consequently, when King and Parliament think, that the Publick Good requires their being abolished, it E it necessary. Therefore it must be admitwill, I fear, be difficult for the Proprietor to fhew, by what Law he is intitled to a Compensation. But as this is not disputed at present, I shall enlarge no farther upon the Question.

I shall now consider the most material Objections made against the Abolishing of these Jurisdictions and Superiorities. It is said, that no Man ought to be divested of his Property without his Consent, unless he has been guilty of some Crime, and legally tried and convicted. This, I shall grant, is a Maxim that ought to be held sacred in all Cases where the Publick is no Way concerned; but when the Publick Good requires it, no true Patriot will scruple to sacrifice his Property, even without any Equi-G valent; no Man who has any Regard to his Country will, in such a Case, resuse to part with his Property, upon receiving an adequate Compensation: If he does shew himself to be so whimsically selfish, he

ought to be compelled; and this is what is frequently done almost every Session of Parliament, in Bills relating to the Highways, to the making of Rivers navigable, to the dividing and inclosing of Commons, &c.

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But farther, as to private Jurisdictions, furely it will not be faid, that a Property in any fuch can fland upon the fame Footing with other Sorts of Property. Every freeborn Subject has a Right to be tried, in all Cases of Life, Liberty, and Property, by the King's Laws and the King's Judges, and this Right ought not to be taken from him without his Confent, unless for the Publick Utility: Nay, so jealous are our Laws in this Respect, that no Subject can of himself give up this Right: No Man can, in this Country, make hanfelf the Slave of another. Therefore no Man, much less the whole People of a District, can be divested of this Right, unless for the Publick Utility: If King and Parliament fhould do fo upon any other Account, they would do an Injury to every Man divested of this Right without his own Consent. We must therefore suppose, that when those Hereditary Jurisdictions were first established, it was for the Publick Utility, not for the Private Emolument of any particular Family; and consequently, when the Publick Utility requires it, the Legislature may the more freely take them away. It is no Objection to fay, that some of those Hereditary Jurisdictions have been purchased at a high Price by the Families now poffeffed of them; because every Man ought to know the Nature of what he purchases, and consequently the Purchasers ought to have known, that the Jurisdictions they purchased not only might, but ought to be abolithed, as foon as the Publick Utility made ted, that the Right of Property which particular Families have in these Jurisdictions, is a Right which stands upon a very different Footing from other Rights of Property which were originally established, and are preserved in private Men for their own particular Advantage, as well as for the general Good of the Nation.

Another Objection against abolishing these Hereditary Jurisdictions and oppressive Superiorities, upon paying an adequate Price to the Proprietors, is drawn from the 18th, 19th, and 20th Articles of the Union between the two Kingdoms, from which Articles it is inferred, that this is what cannot be done even by King atd Parliament, without violating these Articles. In Answer to this, I shall beg Leave to examine these Articles one by one, after having made this general Observation, That every Man who wishes well either to his King or Country, ought to be extremely cautious

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of flarting any fuch Objection; and that in an incorporating Union between two independent States, some Articles may be made unalterable, which both may, in Process of Time, and very inconvenient, and heart ly with to have altered. Human Forefight is fo weak, that it is impossible to judge, with any Certainty, what may A be the Effects of Time and a future Change of Circumstances; therefore, in fuch Agreements it is extremely dangerous, and, I think, not very prudent, to make any Article absolutely unalterable, by that which is then established as the future supreme . ower of the United Kingdoms; because it will, upon every Occasion, furnish the Factious up Divisions and Discontents among the People. Every new Law, every new Regularion, however necessary for the Good of bot., however confistent with their incorporating Contract, will, by fuch Men, be represented as a Breach of the Union; and as some Men must suffer, or may think they suffer, by every new Regulation that C can be made, they will of courfe make use of this l'retence for giving Countenance to their Opposition.

This is the Case at present, as must appear from a strict Examination of these Articles. By the 18th it is provided, ' That as to Laws which concern Fublick Right, Policy, and Civil Government, they may be made the same throughout the whole D United Kingdom; but that no Alteration be made in Laws which concern Private Right, except for evident Utility of the Subjects within Scotland.' This Article is fo far from restraining the Parliament of Great Britain from doing what is now proposed, that by the express Words of the Article, the Parliament is in a double Re- E spect impowered so to do. Does not the Administration of Justice concern Policy and Civil Government? Does it not concern Civil Government to prevent any private Man's having it in his Power to raife an Army against the Government? Is it not for the evident Utility of the Subjects within Scotland to prevent Rebellions, and to promote Trade, Manufactures, and Fisheries amongst them? Those Gentlemen therefore that are against what is now proposed, seem to be infatuated, when they quote this Article in their Favour.

Then as to the 19th Article, the Words laid hold of upon this Occasion are these: And that the Heretable Rights of Admiralty, and Vice-Admiralties in Scotland, G be referved to the respective Proprietors, as Rights of Property, subject nevertheless, as to the Manner of exercising such Heretable Rights, to such Regulations and Alterations as shall be thought proper to be

' made by the Parliament of Great Britain. And that all other Courts, now in being within the Kingdom of Scotland, do remain; but subject to Alterations by the Parliament of Great Britain.' From thefe Words it is argued, that the Heretable Rights of Admiralty or Vice-Admiralty in Scotland cannot be abolished: and that the Hereditary Courts of Justiciary, Regality, or Sherivalty then in being in Scotland, cannot be abolished, even by the British arliament. As to Hereditary Admiralties or Vice-Admiralties, I answer, that they are referved only as Rights of Property, and confequently, by the preceding Article, the roprietor may still be obliged, by Act of and Seditious with Arguments for stirring B Parliament, to part with them upon receiving an adequate I rice, when the Publick Good, that is to fay, the evident Utility of the Subjects within Scotland, makes it necessary, this being the Case with regard to every Right of Froperty a Subject can be poffeffed of. And as to other Courts, these Words in this Article were not intended to relate to any Hereditary Jurisdictions, because all such are provided for by the next following Article. The Words in this Article must then be supposed to mean only, that there shall be a Sheriff Court, a Commissary Court, &c. in every County, as there was at that Time.

And now, lastly, I come to the 20th Article, the Words of which are: 'That all ' Heretable Offices, Superiorities, Heretable · Jurisdictions, Offices for Life, and Jurisdictions for Life, be referved to the Owners thereof as Rights of Property, in the fame Manner as they are now enjoyed by the Laws of Scotland, notwithstanding this Treaty. Here again the same Anfwer is to be made, which I have already made with Regard to Rights of Admiralty. They are as fecure, and are by this Article made no fecurer than Rights of Property in Lands or Houses. Suppose it should be refolved to carry into Execution a Project that has been often talked of, I mean, that of making a Communication by Water between the Friths of Forth and Clyde, might not the British Parliament by an Act oblige the Proprietors of Lands or Houses between these two Friths, to fell at an adequate Price to the Undertakers, all fuch Houses and Parcels of Land, as they should find necessary for carrying their Project into Execution? I say, might not the British. Parliament pass such an Act, without making the least Incroachment upon the Articles of Union? They certainly might, for the Sake of the Publick Good; and as these Hereditary Jurisdictions are secured to the Owners only as Rights of Property, by the Articles of the Union, the Parliament may oblige the Owners to fell them to the Dd 2

Crown, for an adequate Price, if it be found necessary for promoting the Publick Good, with the fame Freedom they may now, for the Sake of Fublick Utility, oblige the Owners of Lands or Houses to fell their I roperty for an adequate Price.

It is therefore evident, that the Law now proposed for compelling the Proprietors of A Hereditary Jurisdictions to fell them to the Crown for an adequate Price, and the Law for compelling Superiors to fell to their Vaffals those Rights of Superiority which have always been deemed oppreffive, may both be paffed, without making the least Incroachment upon any Article of the Union. The Power of the Legislature is in this Respect indubitable; the only Question is, whether thale Laws may tend to promote the Publick Utility, and that this will be the Confequence, I have already, I think, demonstrated. But it is faid, that those Hereditary Juri dictions cannot be supposed to be in their own Nature derogatory of the just Prerogative of the Crown, or destructive of Fublick Utility, because they have lately C been vindicated and fecured to their Poffeffors, on two most solemn Occasions, to wit, the Revolution and the Union; for at the Revolution, the Act of the Scottifb Parliament in 1681, whereby these Rights were invaded, was prefented as a Publick Grievance; and at the Union, their Security was provided for by the particular and express Articles above-mentioned.

Upon this I must observe, that this very Act of 1681 is a Proof, that the Scottifb Parliament was not infallible, no more than any other. All Parliaments or Affemblies are fometimes, or in fome Cafes, influenced by an Interest different from, perhaps opposite to, the Interest of their Country. of a new Rebellion, than a proper This was the Case of the Parliament which E for preventing any suture Rebellion. paffed that Act in 1681. It was carried by the Influence of one of the most arbitrary Ministers Scotland ever saw, and was necessary for justifying some oppressive Measures he had been pursuing but a little before; and the Act was in itself inconfiftent with the fundamental Constitution of Scotland; for as the Hereditary Jurisdic-tions in Scotland were, or certainly ought to have been, established by Authority of Parliament, the King could not by his fole Authority take them away, or render them useles; therefore it was a Grievance to declare, as that Act did, that, notwith-flanding any such Hereditary Jurisdiction, the King might, by his fole Authority, appoint other Judges within that District. But G the Missortune of this Objection is, that the declaring of this to be a Grievance does not, furely, abrogate that Power vested in the supreme Legislature of the Kingdom, by which they may oblige any Subject to give up his Property for a just and valuable

Confideration, when they think it necesfary for the Publick Good.

As to what was done at the Union, I have already shewn, that these Hereditary Jurisdictions still stand upon no better Footing than other Rights of Property; therefore all that can be inferred from what was done by the Parliament of Sectland, either at the Revolution or Union, is, that they did not then think it was necessary for the Publick Good to have all fuch Jurisdictions bought up, and again vested in the Crown; and if we confider, what Influence the Proprietors of these Jurisdictions always had in the Parliament of Scotland, we may eafily fee the Reason why this Question was never brought under the Confideration of Parliament. In this Case therefore, as it has already happened in some others, it may be lucky for the People of Scotlard in general, that their great Lords have not as much Influence upon the Parliament of Great Britain, as they formerly had upon the Parliaments of Scotland.

The third Objection is, That Counties Palatine and Lords of Manors in England have higher Jurisdictions, Powers, and Privileges, than the Hereditary Justiciars, Sheriffs, Lords of Regality, or Barens in Scotland, consequently there is the same Reason for abolishing the former as the latter; and therefore to abolish the latter, while the former are left intire and Inviolated, is making a Distinction between the Subjects of Scotland and England, which deferved to be, and cannot fail of being refented by the People of Scotland, because it feems to be a treating of them with Contempt; from whence it is inferred, that this Measure may more probably be the Cause of a new Rebellion, than a proper Means

If the Fact upon which this Objection is founded, were true: If it were true, that Counties Palatine, &c. in England, had higher Jurisdictions than belongs to any of the Hereditary Justiciars, &c. in Scotland, it could be no Argument against what is now proposed to be done with regard to Scotland: It would only be an Argument for another Bill of the same Nature with regard to England; and if this should be neglected, furely the People of Scotland, at least those not possessed of any Hereditary Jurisdictions, could not take it amis, that the Parliament of Great Britain shew'd more Regard to their Liberties than to the Liberties of the People of England. But the Fact upon which it is founded is far from being true. There is no Part of England or Wales where the Plaintiff, if he pleases, may not bring his Action in the King's Courts at Westminster - Hall, and have

have it try'd by the King's Judges in their Circuits. This every Subject may do by Law, and the Happiness of their Circumstances in England is such, that they are able to support the Expence. Whereas in some Parts of Scotland, the People are difabled by Law, and in most Parts the Majority of the People are disabled by the A Narrownels of their Circumstances, from feeking Redrefs in the King's Courts at Edinburgh. Even those who might support the Expence, are frightned from it, by the great Power which their Hereditary Judge has in other Respects over their Estates. For Example, The Vaffal of an Hereditary Sheriff or Lord of Regality, might perhaps before the Lords of Session at Edinburgh, but he dares not bring his Action there, or appeal from the Court of his Hereditary Judge, because of that Judge's being likewife the Superior of his Land Estate, and as fuch enabled to subject him to various Sorts of Oppression; and the Misfortune is, tary Judges, are generally the Superiors, or Lords Paramount, of all or most of the Lands within their Jurisdictions.

From this Difference in the Circumstances of the People, it is plain, that Hereditary Jurisdictions must be more dangerous, and may be more oppressive in Scotland, than they can ever be in England, and therefore there is not the same Reason for abolishing the latter. But I am really surprised to hear it faid, that there are in England any fuch Hereditary Jurisdictions as those now existing in Scotland. As to Palatinates, there is not fo much as one now vested hereditarily in the Family of any Subject. There is but one Hereditary Sheriffship, meaning Courts, their Power is fo circumscribed by the Courts in Westminster - Hall, by the County Courts, by the Seffions of the Juftices of Peace, &c. that no Man within the Purlieu of any of them, can be liable to the least Oppression, were it never so much in the Will of the Judge or Judges thereof to oppress; for I must observe, that in the Manor Court called the Court Baron by Common Law, the Freeholders are the Judges, so that by Means of that Court the Lord of the Manor has no Sort of Jurisdiction vested personally in him; and as to the Court Baron by Cuffom, its Jurisdiction extends only to the Copyholders, who are supposed by Law to be a Part of the Lord's sole Judge; but even here his Jurisdiction is so circumscribed, that he cannot oppress or decide unjustly, because of the many Methods provided by Law for redressing the Injured, and because the Person injured is

generally able to support the Expence of fuing for Redress; or if he should not, he may probably find some neighbouring Gentleman or Lawyer to patronize his Com-plaint: Whereas, in Scotland, or fome Parts of it at leaft, no fuch friendly Neighbour can be found perhaps in a whole County, by Reason of their being all Vasfals to, or some Way under the Rod of the

Oppressor.

Thus it must appear, that there is not the same Reason for abolishing the Hereditary Jurisdictions still remaining in England, that there is for abolishing those in Scotland; and if there were, it could not, as I have faid, be made use of as an Argube able to support the Expence of a Suit B ment for not abolishing the latter; nor can the abolishing the latter, without abolishing at the same Time the former, be taken amiss or complained of by any one in Scotland, but fuch as are pofferfed of those Hereditary Jurisdictions, or such as are influ-No Man in his right enced by them. Senses but would chuse to have his Cause that these Lords of Regalities, or Heredi- C tried by a Judge appointed by the Crown, rather than by a Judge appointed by any neighbouring Lord or Gentleman, who may very probably have a particular Interest in having the Affair determined against him: No Man in his right Senses but would chuse to live in a District, where he, or some of his Family, may have a Chance to be the chief Magistrate, rather than in a District where the chief Magistracy is vested hereditarily in some neighbouring Lord or Gentleman. Therefore, if any Clamour has been raised among the People of Scotland, if any Petitions should be presented to Parliament against the Bill, by those who are subject to such Jurisdictions, it will be a ftrong Argument in favour of the Bill, bethat of Westmorland; and as to Manor E cause it will be a manifest Proof of the great Power these Hereditary Judges have thereby acquired over the People subject to their Jurisdiction, and consequently a Proof of what I fet out with, that these Hereditary Jurisdictions will always furnish Fuel for Rebellions; for if an Hereditary Judge can prevail with Men to clamour and petition against what is so evidently calculated for their Advantage, surely he may prevail with them to join with him in a Rebellion, when there are the least Hopes of Success.

This Argument will become still more cogent, if no Petitions in Favour of the Bill should come up from the People of any of those Counties or Districts that are subject to these Hereditary Jurisdictions. If Family, therefore in this Court he is the G this should be the Case, it will be a most convincing Proof of the flavish Subjection those People are under, arel will be an Argument with every generous Mind for infifting upon their being delivered from that Subjection. Can we suppose, that a Gen-

tleman whose Estate lies within a Regality, has no Dependence upon the Lord of that Regality? Can we suppose, that any Man of Spirit would desire to have a Dependence upon his Fellow-Subject? Therefore. when his Case is under the Consideration of Parliament, when Petitions are prefented against setting him free, and great Pains A taken to represent such a Regulation as unpopular, if he does not petition for being fet free, if he is not joined by all those in the fame Circumstances, it must proceed from fomething that deserves the Name of Slavery rather than Dependence. It may be faid, 'tis true, that were the Regality dissolved, his Estate must lie within some County, fo that his Dependence would B only be transferred from the Lord of Regality to the Sheriff, and he may rather chuse to continue his Dependence on the former, than have it transferred to the latter; but if the Sherifffhip of the County be vefted in the Crown, no Man can make fuch a Choice, because he has an equal Chance of being appointed Sheriff of the County, and C thereby acquiring the Dependence of others, instead of being subject to any himself.

This equal Chance which every Gentleman has of being appointed, or of having fome of his Family appointed, Sheriff of the County, must convince every Man who has an Estate within any Heredirary Jurisdiction, that it is his Interest to have all such Jurisdictions abolished; and if they do not all petition in Favour of a Bill for that Purpose, if any of them petition against such a Bill, it must proceed from their Dread of a Power which no Subject ought

to have over another.

The next Objection, and the last I shall take Notice of, is not so much an Objection against abolishing the Hereditary Juris- E dictions in Scotland, as it is an Objection against restoring them to the Crown; for it is faid, that by fo doing we shall increase the Power of the Crown, which is already greater than can well be thought confiftent with our Constitution. As to this, I must grant, that I heartily wish to see a true Publick Spirit more generally prevalent a- F mong the People; for then it would be proper to reftore to them some of those Rights and Privileges they have been deprived of, particularly that of chusing their Sheriffs and their Conservators or Justices of the Peace; but till this happens, the Power of appointing Sheriffs, Ge. must continue where it is, and I wish we may not be forced by that felfith venal Spirit which pre- G vails, to increase rather than diminish the Power of the Crown. That too great a Power in the Crown is inconfiftent with our Constitution, I shall readily admit; but it is still more inconfistent with our Constitu-

tion, and may be attended with more fatal Confequences, to veft or continue too great a Power in the Family of any Subject; because it will expose us to all those Evils, under which this Nation groaned for Ages after the Conquest, Evils which Germany now groans under, and which may bring on a Diffolution of that august and powerful Body. We must take the best Care we can to prevent our being made Slaves by the Crown, but at the fame Time we ought to take Care, that no Part of the People shall be, or continue to be the Slaves of any Fellow-Subject; left they should join with the Crown in establishing a general Slavery, in order to get free from the particular one they find themselves subjected

It is certainly of dangerous Confequence to the free Choice of Members of Parliament in any County, to have the Nomina-tion of the Sheriff vefted in the Crown; but it is of more dangerous Consequence to have that Office vefted hereditarily in the Family of any particular Subject, because the latter will always have more Inducements to commit Iniquity, than the Nominee of the Crown can ever have. Befides, the Crown, as to its Nomination, is under some Restraint, because it generally chuses one of three recommended by the Judges; whereas an Hereditary Sheriff is under no Reftraint as to the Nemination of his Deputy, and in many Cases cannot be made to answer for his Mildeeds. Therefore, these Jurisdictions may be, and indeed must be vested in the Crown, and must there remain, till it be found necessary to make some general, and new Regulation for the Appointment of Sheriffs and other inferior Magistrates over the whole United Kingdom.

I think, I need not trouble the Reader with any more of the Objections made against abolishing these Jurisdictions; however, before I conclude, I shall beg Leave just to touch upon a few more of them. It is faid, that the Abolishing of these Jurisdietions supposes, that the Proprietors have made a bad Use of them, and yet no Proof of this has been fo much as attempted. A short Answer to this is, that no such Thing is supposed, either in the Preamble or any other Part of the Bill. It is not the bad Ule that has been made, but the bad Use that may be made of these Jurisdictions, and the Publick Inconveniences that naturally refult from them, that is fuggefted as the Caufe of their being abolished. They are not to be abolished by Way of Punishment upon the Proprietors, but for the Sake of the PublickGood, that must accrue from extending the Influence, Benefit, and Protection of the King's Laws and Courts of Justice to all his Majestys Subjects in Scotland. The

Bill is not therefore founded upon any Facts, but upon the general Nature of Things, and consequently there was not the least Occation for any Proofs, nor could there be any

Proof attempted. Another Objection is, that these Hereditary Junisdictions are the Birthright, and the most honourable Birthright of those A possessed of them, therefore they cannot in Honour accept of any Price or Satisfaction for them. As to what a Man may think a Point of Honour, there is no arguing; and therefore, if any of these Gentlemen should think, that he cannot in Honour accept of a Price for his Hereditary Jurisdiction, the Publick must take it without a Price. I think, there is no Point of Honour more B univerfally allowed, than that a Man is obliged to part with any Thing, even Life itfelf, when it becomes necessary for promoting the Good of his Country, and the Legislature is surely the best Judge of what is necessary for this Purpose. A Nobleman's Palace or his Park is as much his Birthright as any Hereditary Jurisdiction he can be C possessed of, yet both he may be compelled by the Legislature to part with, for making a River navigable, or for any other Publick Benefit. In fuch Cases, the more freely he parts with his Property, the more readily he accepts of the Satisfaction offered by the Publick, the more honourably, in my Opinion, he acts. Strong and well fortified Caftles were formerly the Birthright of D many of our Nobility, and were certainly as honourable a Birthright as any Man could be possessed of: These were afterwards deemed to be inconfiftent with the Publick Tranquillity; therefore the Proprietors were dispossessed by Henry II. and all the Castles demolished, except a few which the King kept that any one of our Nobility at that Time thought his Honour concerned in defending his Birthright, or in refusing the Satisfaction

In short, no Man's Honour can suffer by complying with what is deemed for the Good of his Country. No difinterested Man will say so; and therefore I am apt to suppose, that the contrary Opinion was first suggested by some one of those Under Agents, who, without the Privity of his Lord, made use of his Power to squeeze unjust Perquisites from those who have the Missortane to be under his Hereditary Jurisdiction.

Lastly, It is said, that this Regulation will increase the Number of Lawyers, and make G them swarm as much in all the Country Towns in Scotland as they now do in England. It seems something extraordinary to suppose, that the Diminishing the Number of Courts in a Country should increase the

Number of Lawyers; and yet this may very probably be the Confequence, though this Consequence is far from being an Objection. In Courts of Regality or Hereditary Sheriffship, there is no Use for Law or Lawyers, because Men do not depend upon the Justice of their Cause, but upon the Interest they can make with the Lord's Bailiff, who is generally biaffed by his own or his Lord's Favour, Affection, or Interest. Before fuch a Judge, Reasoning is ridiculous. Eloquence is a left. This the Suitors are fenfible of, therefore they either employ no Lawyer, or give themselves very little Concern about his Capacity, and consequently give him but a fmall Fee: But when the Sheriffs are all to be appointed by the Crown, it is to be hoped, that Care will be taken, by the Advice of the Court of Seffion in Scotland, and not of any particu-lar Judge thereof, to appoint Men of Capacity and Probity as Sheriffs in each County; and when all the particular Courts are demolished, and the whole Bufiness of the County brought before the Sheriff's Court. and there impartially confidered, the People will find it necessary to employ good Lawyers, which of course will increase their Number; and if Trade and Manufactures be introduced, the Riches of the People will increase, which will make a new Addition to the Number of Lawyers in each County.

Castles were formerly the Birthright of many of our Nobility, and were certainly as honourable a Birthright as any Man could be possessed for the End of: These were afterwards deemed to be inconsistent with the Publick Tranquillity; therefore the Proprietors were dispossessed by Henry II. and all the Castles demolished, except a sew which the King kept in his own Hands; and yet I never heard, that any one of our Nobility at that Time thought his Honour concerned in desending his Birthright, or in refusing the Satisfaction aftered him by that wise and great King.

In short, no Man's Honour can suffer by complying with what is deemed for the Good of his Country. No disinterested Man will say so; and therefore I am apt to passes the site of Lawyers in Scotland, tho' this of itself could not be called a good Consequence, yet it would be a certain Sign of the Regulation's being attended with many good.

Consequences.

I hope, I have now shewn, that the Abolishing of the Hereditary Jurisdictions and oppressive Tenures in Scotland, must tend to prevent Insurrections, and to promote Trade, Manusactures, and Fisheries, among the People there; and that this may be done by an Act of the British Parliament, upon giving a reasonable Price to those who have a Property in these Jurisdictions and Tenures, without any Breach of Justice; or any Incroachment upon the Articles of Union: And I likewise hope, that I have sully answered every material

Objection that has been, or can be made, against this Measure. I cannot expect, that what I have faid, or can fay, will convince those who are personally interested in the Question, or those who have an immediate Dependence upon them; but what I have faid, will, I hope, have some Weight with the rest of the People in Scotland. It is for A them I write, and to them I must recommend a candid and impartial Examination of the Argument, without allowing themfelves to be imposed on, by the specious Pretences of those, who have unluckily a particular Interest in opposing what seems calculated for the general Interest of their Country.

I am, SIR, &c.

LETTER from an Officer in the first Battalion of the Royal Regiment, dated from the Comp near Hulft, April 26; giving a particular and authentick Account of the Attack of Fort SANDBERG, near the Lines of Hulft.

SIR,

YOU have before heard of the particular Service upon which we were ordered, in pursuance of which we failed up the Hondt, or Western Scheld, upon the 22d about Four in the Morning, and landed at Stoppeldyke, in the Island of Hulf, opposite D to Saemslack in the County of Axel.

As you know that many of the strong Places in this Part of Flanders, were either in the Hands of the French, or invested by a Body of 25 or 30,000 Men, under the Command of Count Lowendahl, you will not be surprised to hear that our Battalion has almost ended the Campaign on their Part with a considerable Loss, but with as much Reputation, I will venture to say, as in any Campaign they served this Century. But it is better that I should leave this to be said by others, and proceed to the Particulars; some of which are disagreeable.

Soon after we landed, upon the 22d, a Camp was marked out for the three Battalions under General Fuller's Command, extending from the Place of Landing towards Hulft, along the River which divides that Country from Axel, in order to prevent the French from making any Irruption from that Side, which Lieut. General La Reeque, Governor of that Country apprehended, from the Difficulties which the Enemy met with in making their Ap-G proaches by the Digue, upon which the Fort of Sandberg is fituated.

The Enemy some Days before, having

furprized the Fort of Outkykeer, and one or two small Redoubts in the Way to Sandberg, resolved, it seems, to make their Push that Way; for after battering and bombarding that Fort for several Days, they attempted to take it by an Assault, upon the 22d at Night; upon which our Brigade was sent for, to sustain 4 Dutch Battalions, and 1 of Saxe Gotha's, who repulsed the French after a warm Attack of 3 Hours, from 9 to 12 *; and as we had 9 Miles to march, we could not come up till 5 in the Morning, when our Battalion was ordered by General La Racque, to proceed to the Dutch Camp near Sandberg, and the other two to return to their old Ground.

Every Thing remained quiet during that Day and the following Night, except some Cannonading, in which we were very unequally matched, the French having none under 24 down from 48 Pounders, and we none exceeding 6 Pounders; at last the French having carried their Approaches by Sap, almost under the Palisades, many of which were beat down by the Cannon and Bombs, they began an Affault with great Resolution, upon Friday the 24th, about 9 in the Evening; and having gained a little Ground upon the Out-Guards and Piquets, the Regiments incamped marched immediately to fustain them. By the Situation of the Encampment, the Dutch Regiment of Thierry, who had behaved well on the Attack two Days before, marched first up and did well upon this, but in Half an Hour were fick of it; upon which the Royals advanced, regained what little Ground was loft, and repulfed the French upon every Attack, and did not suffer themselves to be relieved till all their Ammunition was fpent; to supply which, many of them retired, borrowed Cartridges from the Dutch, and returned again to the Attack.

The Narrowness of the Ground on which we were drawn up, would not admit of our Wheeling outwards to the Right and Left, requifite in the common Street-Firing, as it contained only a Platoon a-breaft. So our first Platoon of Grenadiers fired their four and twenty Rounds and then filed off Man by Man, and were succeeded by the next, and the following Platoons, which acted in the same Manner; and, which is pretty extraordinary, all this, tho' in the Nighttime, was performed without any Diforder or Confusion. Our Battalion was relieved by the Highlanders about 5 in the Morning; but their Task was easy, the Business being over before they were ordered to advance. They have loft only five or fix Men, but upwards of a Third of our Battalion is killed or wounded †. We had the Misfor-

*In which Time the Fert was three Times loft and retaken. The French loft 1000 Men, and the Dutch, &c. about 400. † About 400 Men. The French loft in the whole Affait full 3000 Men, and the Allies 1000.

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tune to lofe our Major Sir Charles Erskine early; Lieut. Forbes, and Enfign Campbell are both mortally wounded. The rest of the Wounded are Col. Abercrombie, Capt. Scott, Lieut. Grant, Gordon and Rutberford,

and Enfign St. Clair.

The other two Regiments of our Brigade had it not in their Power to give us any A Affiftance till the Action was almost over from the Distance of the Posts they occupied along the Digue opposite to the Land of Axel, where, by-the bye, they were of as much real Service as if they had taken Post at Limbeth : For the French at that Time were only befieging Philippine, and there was not a Frenchman in the Country of Axel, which was then defended by two Dutch B Battalions and fome Squadrons, who, I fear, in a few Days will be made Prisoners of War: For Monf. La Rocque has made no Disposition for a Retreat, being consident that Sandberg, with the Pass that leads to it, are impregnable; the Contrary of which, I doubt, a few Days will demonstrate. But the Dutch General is resolved to employ our Troops in defending it, and Monf. de Contades feems equally refolved to have it *; and I think I can, with great Truth, fay, if our Battalion had not been there, they had been Masters of the Pass and Fort in two Hours, and consequently of all that Country. See the MAP of the Low Countries in our last.]

Upon receiving the French King's Declaration, mentioned in our last, p. 187, the States of Holland and West Friesland came to the following Refolution.

Would declare to the States General, E that their Noble and Great Mightinesses had heard, with the utmost Astonishment and Surprize, that the Troops of the French King had invaded and enter'd upon the Territories of the State in an hostile Manner, upon the very same Day when the Memorial from Monf. de la Ville, Minister to the faid King, and the Declaration therewith annexed, were laid before the Affembly of their F High Mightinesses. That their Surprize was so much the greater, as this Invasion of the Republick was made at a Time when she was not directly engaged at War with the Crown of France, and without her having given any just Cause for such a Proceeding; and what's more, after the State had been robb'd of her natural Barrier, which is now G lition of its Fortifications. As it is eafy to

foresee the important Consequences which must result from this Affair, their Noble and Great Mightinesses being actually assembled to confider of proper Measures in their prefent difficult and thorny Situation, would not lose a single Moment to declare to their High Mightinesses, that they were resolved and determined to oppose with all their Strength, as far in them lay, the faid hostile Invasion, and to act to the utmost of their Power in Defence and for the Prefervation of their Country, their Subjects, their lawful Poffessions, and those invaluable Pledges, their Religion and Liberties; being ready to agree to fuch Meafures as should be thought most conducive and effectual to bring about that defired End, in firm Confidence that all their Allies would contribute thereto, and affist therein, with the same Zeal, and that the Almighty would caft a favourable Eye upon the Justice of their Cause, and bless the Means which should be made use of for the Defence of the Republick, &c.

LETTER of the Prince of ORANGE to the STATES of ZEALAND, before be was chosen STADTHOLDER +.

Noble and Mighty Lords,

N the critical Situation that the Repub-I lick in general finds itself, and particu-larly the Province of Zealand, by the hostile D Invasion of the French in that Part of Flanders which belongs to the Republick, and which confines directly upon your Province, I thought it was indispensably my Duty to offer to your Noble Mightinesses, to whom I have the Honour of being a Vassal, my Person and Services for the Defence of the Province of Zealand, in fuch Manner as your Noble Mightinesses shall think most advantageous to the Province, and its good Inhabitants.

If your Noble Mightinesses are pleased to accept of the Offers which I now make, I am ready to rifk with Joy, and with the fame Zeal that my Ancestors have shewn, my Life and Fortune for the Publick Good, for the Preservation of the Province of Zealand in particular, as well as for the Defence and Support of the precious Pledges of Religion and Liberty, which are in such great Danger.

I am, at your Noble Mightinesses first Request, Letter, or Order, ready to repair to fuch Place as you shall think fit, in order to contribute, at my own Charges and Expence, without any to the Province, in this critical Conjuncture, every Thing in my Power for the common Defence of what

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[·] It bas fince furrender'd, April 28, and Hulft itfalf fcon after. in our last, p. 198.

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is most precious, and to encounter, with your Noble Mightinesses, and with all the good Inhabitants of the Province of Zealand, all the Dangers to which it seems to be subject.

Time and Opportunity favours the more in this Respect, as the three Provinces, and the Country of Drenthe, of which I have the Honour of being Governor, do not at present appear exposed to any Danger.

In wishing that it may please the Almighty to ward off from the Province of your Noble Mightinesses, all the Evils and the Dangers which threaten it, I am, with the most profound Respect, and the most faithful Attachment,

Noble and Mighty Lords,
Your most obedient and faithful Servant,
Prince d'ORANGE & de NASSAU.

The ANSWER of bis Screene Highness the Prince of ORANGE, to the STATES of ZEALAND, on his being chosen STADTHOLDER.

Noble and Mighty Lords,

Received this Morning, by a Messenger, dispatched from your Noble Mightinesses, your Resolution and Letter of the 2Sth of April, by which you have been pleased to inform me, that it has been esolved, in the Assembly of your Noble Mightinesses, by the unanimous Suffrage of all the Members, to require and elect me D to be Stadtholder, Captain and Admiral-General of the Province of Zealand *.

However dangerous and difficult the prefent Conjunctures are, Noble and Mighty Lords, and how heavy foever this Burden, my Zeal for the Republick, the Love I bear to my Country, the Blood from which I fpring, and the Name I bear, would not E fuffer me to refuse this unanimous Requifition of your Noble Mightinesses.

I accept then, Noble and Mighty Lords, these important Charges, with an Heart sull of Acknowledgments for the Considence you have been pleased to put in my Person, in Hope and firm Expectation, that the Almighty, whose Direction in this Assair I acknowledge and adore, will please to grant me the necessary Forces of Body and Mind, to become, in Concurrence with the wise Advices, the prudent and unanimous Resolutions of your Noble Mightinesses, and the saithful Zeal of the well-minded Inhabitants of the Province of Zealand, an Instrument for the Re-establishment of the Publick Tranquillity, to turn off all the Evils with which the State is

threatned, and to secure for ever to the United Provinces the precious Pledges of Religion and Liberty.

As foon as the Deputies of your Noble Mightinesses shall arrive here, I shall do myself the Pleasure to concert with them in what Manner I shall most readily repair into the Province of Zealand, in order to concur with your Noble Mightinesses in your Deliberations, and the Execution of all the Measures that may be taken for the Good and Prosperity of the Republick, particularly of the Province of Zealand.

With Thanks to your Noble Mightineffes, for your friendly Compliments, I am, with the most perfect Respect, and the most inviolable Attachment,

May 1, Noble and Mighty Lords,
May 1, Your most Obedient,
1747. And Faithful Servant,
W.C.H.F.+ Prince of Orange and Nasjan.

WHEN the Prince and Princes of Orange, accompanied by the young C Princess †, pass'd by Harlem, in their Way to Amsterdam and the Hague, their Coach stopt at the House of M. Van Stryen, Presiding Burgomaster. The Prince having entered the House, where the Magistrates of the City were affembled, M. Witt their Bailist, in their Name, made the following Speech:

Most Serene Prince and Lord,

most prosound Respect, that I take the Liberty to approach your Serene Highness to compliment you on your Arrival in this City. I have the Honour and Happiness, as Bailiff, to congratulate your Serene Highness, in the Name of the Magistrates and Burghers of this City, as Stadtholder, Admiral and Captain-General of all the Land and Maritime Forces of this Republick. This most agreeable News was no sooner known here, but People of all Ranks and Conditions testified their entire Satisfaction and Joy at so desirable an Event.

The Election of your Serene Highness, 'tis true, was made when one of our neighbouring Provinces was already invaded by the Enemy, and that we had Reason equally to sear an Invasion; but your Serene Highness's Ancestors have often, with the Aid of the Almighty, sav'd the Republick from the greatest Dangers and Embarrasments she hath found herself involved in. Therefore our Hopes, after God, are solely fix'd on your Serene Highness, sprung from that illustrious Blood, who can deliver our dear Country from the sad and dangerous Situa-

The other fix Prominees have fince chosen him, Overyssel being the last; so that he is now Stadtbolder, &c. of the Union, or the Seven United Provinces.

† That is, William Charles Henry Friso.

‡ Their Daughter, named Caroline.

tion the is in, and preferve to us the precious Pledges of our Religion and Liberties, which, at prefent, are fo much threatned. We most fervently pray the Almighty, that, according to his inexhaustible Goodness, he will make the Beginning of your Serene Highness's Government happy, and fill it up with continual Prosperity: We beg that the Divine Providence will guide and direct all your Serene Highness's Steps, that he may be a Buckler and Pulwark to you against the Enemies of the State; that the Great Jebovab our God may pour abundantly and without Measure his most precious Bleffings, temporal and spiritual, on the Person of your Serene Highness, on her Royal Highness the Princess your Spoule, B and likewise on the young Princess; that he may preserve your Serene and Royal Highnesses a great many Years; and that a Prince may fpring from your Serene Highness, to walk in your Steps and those of his illustrious Ancestors; that our Republick may for ever owe their Preservation and Prosperity to your Serene Highness's C

I most humbly recommend our City, our Magistrates, our Burghers, and myself in particular, to the Protection and Favour of your Screne Highness; and as your Screne Highness designs to continue your Journey, we have the Honour to wish it may be prosperous, wheresoever your Screne Highness goes.

The Prince made him a most gracious Answer, and being reconducted to his Coach, the Bailiss made a short Speech to her Royal Highness the Princess, who had not come out of the Coach, to which she likewise made a most gracious Answer. Then their Serene and Royal Highnesses E continued their Journey, follow'd by the Inhabitants for some Distance from the City. The great Cannon were fired on that Side, and all the Time the Bells rung, and the Air resounded with the Acclamations of Ling live the Prince and Princess of Orange.

Estrad of the Register of RESOLUTIONS of the Lords the STATES of ZEALAND, May 12, N.S.

T is found good and agreed to order and command all Governors, Commanders, and Commanding Officers, as well by Sea as Land, of Towns, Forts, Batteries, Ships, and all other Persons whatsoever, under the Gommand of their Noble Mightinesses the Lords States of Zealand, as it is hereby ordered and commanded, to attack, seize, and bring in all Ships, as well in Harbour as out of the same, coming from the French Ene-

my's Harbours or Coasts, and not being able to do that, to sink or destroy in the best Manner it shall be possible for them, and not to suffer them, under Pretence of any contrary Orders whatsoever, to navigate unmolested. To which End, an Extract of this Resolution shall be sent to the Voting Towns of the State, that each of them may make the proper Use thereof, and also to the Deputies of the Admiralty, desiring them to give Notice thereof to the Chief and other Officers of the Sea; and likewise to all Commanding Officers, being under the Orders of their Noble Mightinesses, that they conduct themselves thereby.

Finally, an Extract hereof shall be sent to Mr. Mitchell, the Commodore of the English Ships, and other Vessels of War, desiring him to send the like Orders to the Officers of the Ships under his Command, as well in, as out of Harbour, in order to do jointly to the Enemy all the Mischief and Injury in their Power.

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Agrees with the faid Register.
(Signed) J. Pr. Recustoot.

Extract of a LETTER from an Officer of one of bis Majefly's Ships employ'd on the Coast of Flanders, dated the 15th Instant, at Flushing.

NO Doubt but you have heard of the Revolution here, which is entirely owing to our coming upon this Coast; for, as soon as the People saw us arrive, they began to shew themselves, which before they durft not do, and immediately demanded the Prince of Orange for Stadtholder, otherwise they declared they would put themselves under the Protection of the King of Great Britain. It was entirely owing to Force that the Prince was chosen, for most of the principal Men were in the French Interest, and the Neutrality would certainly have been fign'd, had we not arriv'd in Time to prevent it. This I have the greatest Reason to believe, as they have shamefully given up their Towns, and particularly Hulft, notwithstanding all the Governor's Pretences, and the Lofs of fo many of our brave Fellows of the Royal Scotch Re-giment, who were carried like Sheep to the Slaughter; (see p. 216.) and no Men ever behav'd better, and would have maintain'd their Ground, if they had not been fold; for I was there the Day after the Attack, and all our Troops were in the highest Spirits, but I saw plainly it would be given up. Capt. Ferguson, of the Nightingsle, was order'd by the Commodore, to go with fix Sloops up the Schelle, leaving his

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own Ship behind; which he did, and came to an Anchor about four Leagues below Antwerp, and waited on his Royal Highness the Duke, who fent Col. Scot and him to inform themselves of the Condition of the Place and Garison, and to make their Report to his Royal Highness. They view'd all the Outworks and Batteries in A the Midst of the Enemy's Fire and Shells; and notwithstanding the Governor's Asfurances, that the Place could not be taken, they reported to his Royal Highness, that they had quite different Apprehenfions, from the Governor's Management. Upon which he thought fit to go away ineognito, and went on board the Mortar Skop, where he lay that Night in Capt. Fer- B gufon's Hammock, and took that Gentle-man with him to Hulft; but just as they were going to land, they found all the Troops ready to embark, and that the Place had been deliver'd up in Form, without the Lofs of a Man, or the Knowledge of the British Troops; at which his Royal Highness was greatly incens'd.

However, fuch was his Care of feeing the Troops fafely embark'd, that we thought he expos'd himself to great Danger; for he had scarce got on board before a great Body of the French came and attack'd about 300 of the Highland Regiment, who were the last to embark; but they behav'd with so much Bravery, that they beat off three or four Times their D Number, killing a great many of them, and took fome Prifoners, with only the Lo's of one Officer and two Men. It was with the greatest Difficulty that their Officers could prevent their pursuing the Enemy to their very Camp. And it was remarkable, that a Boy of about Fourteen took one of their Huffars Prifoner. The Duke E was greatly pleas'd with the Behaviour of the Troops, and was landed that Night by Capt. Ferguson, within four Leagues of his Head Quarters.

MEMORIAL delivered to the Signor GRI-MALDI, Adjutant-General to the Most Serene Republick of GENOA, by Colonel and Adjutant-General BLONKEL.

Royal Majesty, sollowed by a numerous Train of Artillery, which will join it in a few Days, being arrived in the Neighbourhood of Genoa, before that the extreamest Rigours of the War are put in Execution, the City of Genoa, and all therein who have taken Arms, are reminded of the great, the experienced innate Clemency of her Imperial and Royal Majesty, Queen of Hingary and Bohemia, and how great Rea.

fon they who have repented their Errors, and fubmitted to their Duty, have always had to glory in it.

Even in the present Juncture, my most august Sovereign is willing to give to the whole World a fresh Proof of her already well-known Compassion, and is much more desirous, to have Ground to obliterate her very just Resentment, than to give a melancholy Instance of it, by the Desolation

lancholy Instance of it, by the Desolation of this Country, and by the Ruin of one of the most beautiful and flourishing Cities of Italy, as is that of Genoa. (See the Prospect of it in our Magazine for Feb. last.)

Wherefore the makes known to the faid City, and all therein, who have taken Arms, that Opportunity and Time yet ferves, for their having Recourse to her said Majesty's insuperable Clemency, which, entirely replete with Sentiments of Christianity, will pardon the Offences, forget the Outrages of, and preferve a City and Country, which persevering in its Obstinacy to the last, and till the Arrival of the above-mention'd Artillery, can expect nothing less than the Devastation of the Country, the burning their Seats, the Demolition of the City, the Slaughter of all the Citizens, and laftly, that just Chastisement which the Perseyerance in her Crime, cannot but daily ca-

At the Camp of Terazzo,
April 15,1747.
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THE Measures, which the Most Serene Republick of Genoa has been compelled to take in the Course of the present War, have been with no other View, than the Preservation of her just Rights and Possessions, and never has she deviated from that known Respect, which will instance her constant Attention, to all the Powers at War.

It is notorious to all the World, how, last September, the Armies of her Imperial and Royal Majesty of Hungary arrived at, and were received in Genou, the great Deference in a Number of Opportunities paid them, and the insuperable Motives which forced this Nation to have Recourse to the last, and only Means to preserve themselves from an Extermination, by how much the less merited, certainly by so much the more foreign to the Glory and Justice of her Majesty.

Even now the City of Genoa, and all therein who have taken Arms, do nothing more than make use of that Right, which Nature has made common to all Men, enz.

In fuch a Situation, as on the one Hand,

the Idea, the Republick forms of the Uprightness of her Imperial and Royal Majesty, cannot be greater, fo on the other, the Certainty is no lefs, with which fhe is perfuaded that her past Conduct, and present Behaviour, cannot be the Objects of her Majesty's just Resentment; both the one and the other being with the fole View to preferve and A defend that precious Liberty, for which the Republick, and all her Subjects, cannot but employ every and all possible Means, and facrifice, if necessary, their Estates and Fortunes, and even Life itself; placing more-over their Confidence in the Intercession of the Great Queen of Heaven, and that God, the Lord of Hofts, on whom depends the B Fate of all Powers.

Prince GEORGE and Prince EDWARD baving been at the REHEARSAL for the Feast of the Sons of the Clergy, the next Day after the Feast, May 8, the Stewards waited on his Royal Highness the Prince of WALES, with the following C Address of Thanks.

May it please your Royal Highness,

THE Stewards of the Sons of the Clergy most humbly beg Leave to return Thanks to your Royal Highness, not only for themselves, but in the Name of the whole Body of the Clergy, for the great D Honour you have done them, in fending the young Princes to the Anniversary Meeting for the Relief of poor Clergymens Children, and likewise for the most generous Benefaction * you was most graciously pleas'd to bestow upon them.

The Presence of two such amiable Princes was indeed of the highest Advantage to the Charity; it brought together the E greatest Number of People of every Rank, te admire and to pray for them. And the pleafing Prospect both for themselves and their Pofterity, fo open'd and enlarg'd their Hearts, that it produced the largest Contribution that was ever yet made upon

the like Occasion.

It is with the greatest Satisfaction we F reflect, that, as the Clergy of this Nation have lately shewn the most commendable Zeal, in the Defence of his Most Sacred Majesty and his Royal Family, against the Enemies of our Liberties and Religion; so your Royal Highness has taken this Op-portunity of shewing your Regard to the whole Body of the Clergy, and your most generous Compassion to the indigent and G diffressed Part of them.

For this Instance of your Royal Highnes's pious Beneficence, the Prayers of the Clergy, and the Bleffings of the Poor, are

for ever due to you: And we beg your Royal Highness to believe, that every Seminary of Piety and Learning, as well as every Order and Degree in the Church, must think themselves most highly oblig'd to you, for this Mark of your Royal Highness's Kindness and Condescension to them.

To which his ROYAL HIGHNESS WA graciously pleas'd to make the following ANSWER.

GENTLEMEN,

Am glad to have bad an Opportunity to convince the Clergy of the bigh Regard I bave for them; and that it shall be the Study of my Life to imprint the Same Sentiments on my Children.

Of our present Publick Diversions.

SIR,

HE Expences of the Publick are very high, the Debt we labour under is very large, and our Taxes, how necessary foever, very heavy; from all which I conclude, that Industry ought to be as much encouraged as possible, and that every thing capable of lessening it, ought to be the Object of Censure. It is our Industry that changed the Face of this Country from what it was, and proved thereby the Source of our Liberty and Property; it is our Industry that is the Basis of domestick and foreign Trade, and confequently the fole Fountain of our Riches; in short, it is our Industry that must maintain us, enable us to do Justice to others, and to live happily ourselves; for without it we can do neither.

But of late, fo many Inventions are started up to defeat this great Principle of our Freedom and Felicity, as feem loudly to demand the Notice of the Publick, In the Winter, Balls, Concerts, Operas, Assemblies, Masquerades, and twenty other Diversions, to the very Names of which I am a Stranger, continually folicit People to be idle. In the Summer, there is no ftirring at any Corner, without meeting with Places confecrated to Amusement, or, in plain English, driving away all Thoughts of private Occonomy, or of publick Spirit; and this, at a Time, when the erecting to many new Hospitals, most evidently shews, that Poverty is prevailing among us, and the not raising the Supplies within the Compass of the Year, demonftrates, that the Nation, as well as Indivi-duals, is very far from being over-bur-thened with Wealth; that I may not give it a harther Turn.

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Diversions should be suppressed; but the Reason of Mankind, and the Sense of the Legislature, plainly prove they ought not to be indulged without Restriction: Otherwife, why was an Act of Parliament made to restrain the Number of Playhouses? Why have the Justices put down May, Welch, and Tottenbam-Court Fairs? And, if there will Wisdom and Justice in this, why should other Contrivances, equally pernicious, be fuffered to feduce those who ought to work, to think Work a Burden and a Slavery Our Ancestors had Holidays; with us it is Holiday all the Year round. Formerly, People danced now and then of an Evening: Now, Sundays excepted, People dance every Morning of the Week. Collations had some Reason; but for publick Breakfafts, Dinners with Mufick, and Afternoon Entertainments, what Reason can be given, or what must be our future Condition, who in our present bad Situation, think only of the Means of forgetting it, and confequently, of letting Things be-come daily worse and worse? Is this either C false or exaggerating? And if true, can there be any Thing more deplorable!

It may be faid, the Evil is far from being universal; God forbid it should: But does not fuch a Toleration tend to make it fo; and can there be any Thing either more barbarous or more unjust, than to countenance fuch Inventions for making Beggars, who are afterwards to be maintained by the D Fruits of other People's Labours, fo that the best Members of Society are lest to

drudge for the worst?

It may be likewise said, that these Diverfions procure many People a Living, cause a great Circulation of Money, and increase the Revenue. But is it just, that Men should grow rich by any other than honest E into the Air, which Particles, either by Employments? Does the Nation grow rich by idle People's tossing Money from Hand the Production, or checking the Progress by idle People's toffing Money from Hand to Hand? If fo, Gamesters would be Patriots! Or ought the Gain of the Revenue to take Place of Industry, by which alone the Publick can be a Gainer? Let these Things be seriously considered by those who are the proper Guardians of the Nation. F HENRY HINT.

The following Hint to the Great, concerning the Oddity of MASQUERADES, may properly enough bave a Place bere.

CUPPOSE two or three hundred Carrmen, Watermen, and Draymen, Hackney-Coachmen, and other fuch Ruffian Gen-G try, with a Mixture of Manly Females, take It into their Heads to meet upon a certain Day together, to have a general Rendezvous of Mirth and Pleasure, and spend a whole Night, and Part of a Day

together, to exhibit and shew themselves in the most grotesque and monstrous Figures, producing no Effect but the Admiration and Ridicule of the Multitude: Would not those inferior low Mortals, for their Extravagancy and Folly, come under the Cognizance of Justices of the Peace, and be judged an unlawful Mob, not a legal Meeting, and without any just Authority?

Query 1. If difguifed and mixed Appear. ances be an Elegancy in Manners, and fuitable to the Dignity of high Life?

2. What is the Decency of the Ap. pearance in such disguised and uncomely Droffes at the late Hours of Night? And Evening B if no Decency, certainly most indecent for fuperior Rank.

3. May not an Affaffin, with Affociates, be as well of the Company as others in

fuch a mixed Affembly?

4. If no good End to Society, but Pro-fusion, &c, Wherein consists the Delicacy and Politeness of such an Amusement?

Remarks on the Effects of EXHALATIONS upon the Disposition of the AIR, &c. f. on the Hon. ROBERT BOYLE, Ejq;

T feems probable, that in feveral Places the Wholesomeness or Unwholesomeness of the Air in the general, may be in great Measure due to subterranean Expirations. For in some Places the Air is obferved to be much more healthy than the manifest Qualities of it would make one expect; and in many of those Cases, I for no Caufe to which fuch a happy Conflitution may more properly be ascribed, than to friendly Effluvia, fent up from the Soil of morbifick Ferments, or by mortifying and difabling fome noxious Particles that would otherwise insect the Air, &c. may greatly contribute to keep the Bodies of fuch as live in the Air, in the regular and defirable State we call Health.

I know it is generally thought, that Mineral Bodies fend up Exhalations hurtful to Plants and Animals; but when we speak of fubterranean Things indefinitely, we include more Particulars than most Men are aware of, there being a great Num-ber, and Variety of Bodies, that Nature hath lodged in her Store-houses, the Surface of the Earth; and of thefe different Sorts, tho' it is probable the Efficia of the greatest Part are unhealthful to Man, yet there may be others friendly to him. It has been observed, that over some Tin-Mines in the Western Parts of England,

yet pleasing.

not only Trees, but far more tender Plants, prosper and stourish; and I have seen verdant Trees growing just over a Vein of another Sort of Mineral, that lay near the Surface of the Earth. It is likewise observable of such as constantly dig in these Tin-Mines, that they arrive at a great and vigorous Age; and an antient Possessor of A some of these Mines affured me, that the most of those Fumes had a Smell that participated of Sulphur, or Bitumen, yet others were well scented.

I remember too, that a Friend of mine and another Gentleman, being Partners in a chargeable Attempt to discover a Mine, in digging deep for it they accidentally broke into a vaft fubterranean Cavern, into which, because the Diggers would not venture, one of these Gentlemen caused himself to be let down, and there found the Air very temperate and refreshing, so that he long breathed it with Delight, and on the Soil he discovered many and various Minerals, most of them embryonated or imperfectly formed, with Plenty of a Kind of Mineral C Earth, whose Smell was fragrant and very pleafant, both in his Judgment and that of fome Ladies; and when some of these Minerals were brought to me, a fmall Lump of this Earth that was among them, having new been kept fo long in the Air as to fpend most of its odoriferous Particles, yet the Smell it fill retained, was, tho' faint, D

That from Fossils lying hid under the Surface of the Earth, and having a confiderable Spread there, may plentifully ascend wholsome Effluvia into the Air, feems to me the more probable, because I observed, at a certain Place in Ireland, a very large Sheep-Walk, that produced short, but excellent Grass, the Spot being justly reputed E very healthful; the Reason whereof, from confidering the Circumstances, seemed owing to this, that the Soil was fustained by a large Tract of Lime-Stone, which, I suppose, continually emitted Exhalations into the Air; and it has been long and generally observed, that as far as the Lime-Stone extends, that Tract of Land makes F the Snow which falls on it thaw much fooner, than on the neighbouring Lands. And a Person who had been employed in feveral Mines told me, that at a Place in Derbyshire, he, and others, had observed a large Tract of Lime-Stone Land to be so warm, as to diffolve the Snow that fell on it very much sooner than another great Tract bordering upon it, where the Soil lay G only upon Freestone.

An ingenious Person who had visited the Hungarian and Bobenian Mines told me, that during his Stay among the former, he often walked abroad with the Overseer of

them, who delighted to breathe the fresh Morning Air upon some Hills abounding with Minerals, and that his Guide made him observe, that when they were over a Tract of Land which afforded a noble Kind of Ore, called Rot-gulden-ertz, he found the Smell to be pleafing, and the Air refreshing. And tho' in passing over some other Mines he found himself molested by ofiensive Fumes, he selt no such Effect when upon that Ground under which there ranVeins of Cinnabar, or a Mine of Quickfilver Ore. And his Guide told him, that the next Rot-gulden-ertz, the Soil containing these Cinnabarian Veins, was that whose Air was the most eligible for Pleafure and Wholfomeness. And no Wonder that in some Places the subjacent Fossils should impregnate the Air with wholsome Effluvia; for I once faw a Tract of Ground, famous for a good Pottery, where, befides many other Mineral Earths which I took Notice of, there was a Grove that reached 15 or 20 Feet beneath the Surface of the Earth, whence they dug up a kind of white Clay fo richly impregnated with fubtile and noble Parts, that it afforded a Chymist or two of my Acquaintance, a large Quantity of a fubtile Spirit, of a volatile and faline Nature, which, upon Trial, they highly extolled for its cordial and other Virtues in Phyfick; and which, by fome peculiar mechanical Trials I made with it, I concluded to abound with a volatile Salt, not unlike

that of Urine, or Hartshorn. Since then fome Fossils may be enriched with medicinal and fugitive Salts and Spirits, it may reasonably be supposed that these ascending into the incumbent Air, will highly conduce to the Wholfomeness of it; and the Chymical Examinations I have made of fome Coals, and other Bodies, which are unregardedly comprized under the confused Notion of Earths, make me suspect that there may be far more Species of falubrious Fossils than are yet taken Notice of. But it will appear the more probable, that fubterranean Tracts of great Extent may for a very long Time fend up into the Air large Expirations not discernable by any of our Senses, from confidering that the common Air wherein we live and breathe, always abounds, and for many Ages has been impregnated with the plentiful magnetick Effluvia of the Earth, which our Gilbert, and others, have proved to be a great, tho' languid Magnet, and whole Emanations, as they constantly stream thro' the Air, are capable of passing thro' the Pores of Glass itself, and acting almost instantaneously, yet manifestly, upon Bodies, hermetically fealed upon it.

But the it may hence probably appear, that the Wholfomeness of the Air in some

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Places is chiefly, or at least in Part, due to the wholfome Expirations of fubterranean Bodies, yet generally speaking, the Air is depraved in far more Places than it is improved, by being impregnated with Mineral Expirations; and indeed among the Minerals known to us, there are many more noxious than wholfome, and the Power of A the former to do Mischief, is far more efficacious than of the latter to do Good, as we may guess by the small Benefit we receive in Point of Health, by the Effluvia of any Mineral, or other known Fossil, in Comparison of the great and sudden Damage that is often done by the Expirations of Orpiment, Sandarach, and white Arsnick. The ingenious Person lately mentioned, told B me, that when his Guide and he walked over some Veins of these noxious Minerals, he met with feveral odorous Steams, which tho' differing from one another, agreed in being all offensive to him; and particularly forme of them by their Sharpness, and others by giving him a Difficulty of Respi-

We may here take Notice of the Averni, faid to be found fome in Hungary, and fome in other Countries, where there afcend out of the Earth fuch noxious and plentiful Exhalations, as kill the Animals that draw in the Air they infect, and some of them are able to suffocate even the Birds that fly over them; but there are numerous Place where 'tis no less manifest that hurtful Exhalations ascend into the Air. Whole Tracts of Land near the Surface of the Earth sometimes abound with marcasitical Minerals, as these do, with a sharp Vitriolick Salt, which, together with the ill-conditioned Sulphur they also plentifully contain, ascend into the Air, and render it

corrolive.

To the AUTHOR of the LONDON MAGAZINE.

Office of Ordnance, May 13, 1747. F

I Na Treatife, entitled, A Mechanical Practice of Phyfich, published in 1744, and in an Abstract thereof since printed, I have endeavoured to shew the Nature of Electricity, and proposed it of Use for curing nervous, paralytick, and other Diseases, (which if it answers those good Ends, I think I may claim the Diseaser, nothing having been published before to that Purpose) grounded on the following general Principles, which, as they shew the Reasons also of the Electrical Queries proposed before (see Mag. for last March and April)

duced round all Bodies, without which, the perfpirable Matter, finding no Discharge, would invincibly stop the Circulation and Life of Animals, Vegetables and Fire.

5. The Earth and Air being strongly impregnated with Ether, are the two general Magazines for supplying Animals and Vegetables therewith, there appearing to be a constant reciprocal Circulation of Ether, more or less, between the Earth and Air mosphere, and also between the Earth and every Animal and Vegetable; and as this Circulation of the Ether is render'd stronger.

I hope this will merit a Place in the Ma. gazine also. I am

Your conflant Reader, &c.
D. STEPHENSON.

r. That there is a fubtile elaftick Fluid (by which I understand the same Thing, whether it be called Ether, Light, or Ele-mentary Fire,) expanded throughout the Material Universe, by the different Modifications whereof, all the Phænomena of Light, Colours, Heat, Fire, Electricity, &c. are produced. 2. The Earth attracting the Fluids of Ether and Air, with which, and its own Exhalations, it forms the general Atmosphere, the Density, Weight and Elasticity whereof, are greatest at its Surface, where the Attraction is strongest, and decrease in receding therefrom, until they vanish, and are lost in the general Medium of Ether; the Terrestrial Atmosphere being ever strongly agitated and saturated with the Ethereal or Solar Rays, like a warm elastick Covering, strongly compresfing the whole Surface of the Earth, keeps it in a constant vibratory Motion, and endow'd with fuch Degrees of Heat, Moilture, &c. as renders it a proper Nurley for Animals and Vegetables. Animal and Vegetable, &c. as well as the Earth, attracting the Fluids of Ether and Air, which with its own Exhalations, forms Dround each Body a particular Atmosphere, of different Extents, Densities, and Qualities, in proportion to the different attractive Powers, Density, and Qualities in each Body, which like a warm elastick Matrix or Covering, enveloping and ftrongly compreffing the Bodies of Animals and Vegetables outwardly, is one principal Cause of the Circulation, and keeps them in a con-E stant vibrating Motion and progressive Change from one State to another. 4. The Atmosphere of each Animal and Vegetable, by being in Contact with the Body, becoming hotter and rarer than the remoter Ether and Air, must be continually changing Place therewith, and carrying off with it the Vapours exhaling out of the Body, whereby a conftant Succession and Circulation of fresh Ether and Air is produced round all Bodies, without which, the perfpirable Matter, finding no Discharge, would invincibly ftop the Circulation and Life of Animals, Vegetables and Fire. 5. The Earth and Air being strongly impregnated with Ether, are the two general a constant reciprocal Circulation of Ether, more or less, between the Earth and Atmosphere, and also between the Earth and every Animal and Vegetable; and as this Circulation of the Ether is render'd ftronger

or weaker, by the different exciting Influence of the Sun, in the feveral Seafons, Animals and Vegetables put on different Appearances, and manifest greater or less Degrees of Life, Vigour, Health, Sickness, Gc. in those Seasons. 6. Electricity, as all other Kinds of Fire, is produced by collecting and giving a vibrating Motion, and new Direc- A tion, to the Fluids of Ether and Air, and not from any Effluvia produced from the Subflance of the Electrick Body itself (as was the universal Opinion hitherto) the Electrick Body, when excited by Friction, caufing only a vibrating Motion and Rarefaction in the Ether, which being an elastick Fluid, becomes determin'd to flow from the Air, and all unexcited ambient Bodies, but B chiefly from the Earth, towards the excited electrick Body, to restore the lost Equilibrium. 7. The Earth, with its Atmosphere, revolving daily round its Axis, and prefenting its Surface successively to the Sun, hereby the ethereal Medium is always kept in a vibrative Motion, and impell'd in rectilinear Rays or Streams against C the Surface of the Earth, which becomes thereby constantly excited (like as an arrificial Glass Globe) and put in a State of communicating Electricity, whereby all Animals and Vegetables are always more of less electrified, or have the Ether kept circulating reciprocally between them and the Earth. 8. No Animal or Vegetable can be produced, live, or grow, without Air and D Ether, for two principal Reasons: First, as they both form an external Case or Bandage to compress and support the animal and vegetable Solids, without which they sould not refut the distending Force of the circulating rarefied Fluids, neither could the Circulation be either begun, or continued: Secondly, both being intimately mix'd and E absorb'd in all the Fluids, serve as an univerfal Menstruum to preserve their Texture, Heat, Fluxility, &c. fo that Air and Ether are both as effentially necessary in the Composition and Mechanism of Animals and Vegetables, as the Blood and other Fluids. 9. Let the ethereal or electrical Fire be applied which Way fo ever F either by confining and accumulating it upon the Body, or by eaufing it to flow or circulate only upon the Body, being difcharged therefrom, as fast as received, like as the Water in Pump-bathing; or if it be applied to as to produce inftantaneous Concustions and Sensations in any Part of the Body; in all these Cases, as it operates either as a general or partial warm G dry Vapour-Bath, the Tremors and Stimulation produced in the animal and ve-getable Solids, must cause a Derivation and Revultion, with a different Circulation and fecretion of the Fluids, and, confequently,

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when properly applied, will be of Use for preserving the Health, and curing the Diseases of Animals and Vegetables.

Altho' the Air and Ether are the two most general Causes of Action in Matter, and upon which Life and Health, with the Production and Cure of most Diseases, chiefly depend, nevertheless, all the Experiments hitherto made, and Uses derived from these two catholick Remedies and Instruments of Nature, are little more than tristing Amusements. But what great Uses may be obtain'd by a proper Application of the Air and its Qualities, I have shewn in the fore mention'd Treatise, and its Abstract; and what probable Uses may be derived from the Ether, I have propos'd as Queries or Problems, (see Mag. for Marcis and April last) to be ascertain'd and de-

termin'd by proper Experiments. But finding it infinuated (in some of the News Papers) that fome late Experiments thew Electricity will not promote Vegetation, Hatching of Eggs, &c. what I shall now remark thereon, is the Manner of executing those Experiments, and particularly as to the Eggs; which, as they were never electrified all the Time of Incubation, but only, and that flightly, before they were fet for the Fowl to brood on, how is it possible any sensible Effect should follow from such a superficial Application of the electrical Power? We might, just with as much Reason, expect, that a Difeafe, wherein Bleeding is the only Remedy, fhould be cured, by taking away one Drop of Blood only. Whereas, were the Eggs electrified not only before, but also at proper Intervals, for fix, nine, or twelve Hours every Day, all the Time of Incu-bation, until hatch'd, it is highly probable fome remarkable Effects will follow from. But to pretend by fuch a flight Experiment as this, to judge what Effect Electricity will have in hatching Eggs, is just the same as if a Physician, in order to difcover the Effect of any new Medicine, (suppose the Cortex) for the Cure of Agues, should give a Patient but one fingle Grain of the Medicine in twenty-four Hours, and finding it to have no Effect, should publish it good for nothing; or if he gave one Pound Weight of the Medicine, in the fame to another Patient, which would Time, probably kill him, and from thence pro-nounce it a real Poifon; his Judgment would be condemn'd as rash, if not erroneous, in both Cases, by Reason the Experiments, from which he form'd the Cha-

racter of the Medicine, were imperfed. So

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seed with the utmost Caution in Experiments of fuch Confequence; that they be executed with the greatest Accuracy in all possible Varieties and Circumstances, otherwife the Conclusions we draw from them will be premature, if not falle and injurious te the Publick, who from such infusficient Experiments, and wrong Judgments in-ferred therefrom, may be deprived of many important Discoveries. It is therefore expected, that such Gentlemen as undertake, by Experiments, to determine the Truth of any Queries relating to Electricity, either in the animal or vegetable Kingdoms, &c. (fee Mag. for last March and April) will be cefs, with all the necessary Circumstances BO N the Perusal of your Paper, of the relating thereto, that the Public land the relating thereto. relating thereto, that the Publick may be fatisfied the Experiments have been conducted with that Judgment and Imparti-ality requifite to the Difcovery of Truth, and that no material Circumstance hath been omitted. This is but a reasonable Request; for otherwise, for a Person to inform the Publick of his having made fuch Experiments, and to give Judgment himself thereon, without publishing at the same Time the whole Process, with all the proper Circumstances, is the same as if a Judge, in a Cale of Law, of the utmost Importance to the Publick, should give Judgment himself, without examining the Evidence and Facts fairly before a proper Jury. From which parallel Cases it is evident, the Truth of the foresaid Electrical Problems can never be determin'd from a few superficial cursory Experiments, such as are shewn at publick Courses, only to explain the Phænomena of Electricity; but from a regular Process and Series of Experiments, pursued through all possible Cases and Circumstances, in a particular Course E instituted for that Purpose only. These Cautions are the more necessary, considering that it is a true Observation, that the Hypotheses or Principles, be what they will, which we have long embraced and maintain'd, gain at last such an Ascendant and Tyranny over us, as not to allow us Liberty to consider impartially any Arguments or Experiments tending to over-throw them; and this wrong Turn of Mind hath still a worse Effect upon us, that tho' we are convinced of the Fallacy of our old Opinions, yet rather than own it, we can bear to fee Truth facrificed, and all Arguments and Experiments wrested to Support Error and Imposture. This was thought necessary to be remark'd, to guard G both against giving or receiving any wrong

Impressions or Prejudices, from any partial, imperfect Experiments, so as to be discouraged or diverted thereby from profecuting the Discovery of useful Inventions, by a continued Series of proper Experiments, executed with due Time, Care and Judgment.

The following Letter is taken from the Daily Gazetteer.

To the AUTHOR, &c.

SIR, April 28, 1747.

of Hereford had been pleafed to ordain at James's Chapel no less than 26 Priests and Deacons *, which, as it was a much larger Number than usual, led me very naturally to the following Reflections: That, as it has been long observed and lamented, that the Clergy are by much too numerous, fo if the Bishops continue to ordain them in fuch Numbers, the Vineyard will be greatly overstocked, and there will not be Employment for one Half of its Labourers.

I well remember that, about 40 Years ago, the Clergy of this Nation was computed to be at least 30,000; and there is no Doubt that they are greatly increased from that Æra, tho' the Parishes and Preferments are much the same as they have been for a Century past; the former are faid to be about 9000, and the Dignities, Sine Cure, &c. cannot be a Tenth Part of that Number; fo that here are more than 20,000 that are idle in the Vineyard, for Want of Bu-

finess to employ them. The next Thing to be confidered, is how to prevent this growing, and no less great Evil; which I think can only be done by the Bishops, who have, by Law, an unlimited Power of Ordination to as many as they please; and the only Way to this most neceffary Work feems to me to be this, ere. That they take an annual Account of the Number of Clergy that die in their Dio-cefes; after which to ordain no more (but rather many lefs) than that Number. This, as it is an easy, so I am of Opinion, is the only Method to prevent an Evil which has been fo long complained of by all Perfons, but particularly by those that have the Interest of the Clergy and this Kingdom at Heart. But if this, or some other Method, is not speedily found out, and put in Execution, their Numbers, and their Poverty, must greatly encrease; and he must know

It feems, it is customary for a new Bishop to have more Candidates to ordain when he holds bis sirst Ordination, than afterwards; the this does not render the Observations here made the hefe wseful.

very little of Mankind, that is not fenfible that Poverty is the high Road to Contempt; and when that comes to be the Case, I leave it to the Judgment of all confiderate Perfons, how very little Good they will be able to do in their Stations. The Office of a Miniker of the Gospel is not only honourable in itself, but of the greatest Importance to A the Publick Weal; and I most heartily wish, hat none of them had less than 100%, per Annum for their Support.

Sir, If you think this worth the Regard of the Publick, (as I doubt not but you will) you will give it a Place in your Paper, as AMOR PUBLICUS. it comes from

Thoughts upon Love and MARRIAGE. By the Hon. ROBERT BOYLE, Efq;

O undertake the Cure of a Lover, is perhaps the next Weakness to the being one.

I have however fometimes endeavoured to disabuse those servile Souls, who being C born to Reason, so far degrade themselves, as to boast only an Excess of Passion.

A Man must have low and narrow Thoughts of Happiness or Misery, who can expect either from a Woman's Usage.

I never deplore a Man, who by lofing his Mistress recovers himself.

I venture to speak with the more Freedom of Love, fince, having never known D the Infelicities of this Passion, but in the Sufferings of others, what I fay, will, I hope, pass for the Production of my Reason, not of my Revenge.

A witty Wench used to wish her Lovers all the good Qualities, but a good Underftanding; for that (fays fhe) would foon make them out of Love with me. I could E of his own making. with (fays he, writing to a Friend who had left a Woman that used him ill) that you owed your Cure more to your Reason, and less to your Resentment; and that the Extraction of your Freedom was not a Blemith to it.

However, fays he, I cannot but conclude, that your Recovery, even on those Terms, F. deserves I should congratulate you upon it.

Your Mistress has made you a much better Return, by reftoring you your own Heart, than the could have done by giving you hers in Exchange for it.

You have done extremely well in refolving rather to become an Instance of the Power of Reason, than of Love; and to frustrate the vain Hopes of your insulting G A COLLECTION of REPORTS from Several AUTHORS, and such as, Mistress, who fancied her Charms were fufficient to make you bear her Usage.

To People in Love, the Felicity of two

Persons is requisite to make one happy.
Romances represent Lovers so dex tonly, that the Reader admires and envices their Felicity; but I had much rather be free from Pain, than able to talk eloquently

Few die in Love, unless we may properly affert, That when Love dethrones Reason, tho' it leaves the Lover alive, it destroys the

Reason is born the Sovereign of the Pasfions, and tho' her Supineness may sometimes permit their Usurpations, she is seldom to entirely divested of her native Power, but that whenever she pleases, she is able to recover all she has loft.

Those who doat upon Red and White, are incessantly perplexed, both by Uncertainty of their Mistress's continuing kind, and of the Lasting of her Beauty.

A Mistress's Face often changes fo much, as to make her Lover with Inconstancy no Fault, or that the had actually been guilty of it, that he might find an Excuse for his own.

I am not, after all, an Enemy to Love, unless it be exceffive or ill-plac'd.

Marriage is a Lottery, in which there are many Blanks to one Prize.

Marriage is a State which I can allow to others, much more easily than I can contract myfelf.

I have so seldom seen a happy Marriage, or Men love their Wives as they do their Mistresses, that I am far from wondering our Law-givers should make Marriage undiffolvable, to make it lafting.

I can hardly disallow being moderately in Love, without being injurious to Mar-

The Marriage of a wife Man supposes as much Love as he is capable of, without forfeiting that Title.

Love is feldom confin'd but by a Match

A Man of Honour fhould try to fix his Affections wherever he engages his Faith.

Few but fuch as are in Love beforehand with those they marry, prove so honest afterwards as to be in Love with none elfe.

A virtuous Wife may love both her Hufband's Friends and her own, and yet love him with her whole Heart.

There is a peculiar unrivalled Sort of Love, which constitutes the true conjugal Affection, which a virtuous Wife referves intirely for her Husband; and which it would be criminal in her to harbour for, any other Person.

feveral AUTHORS, and fuch as, by paring one with another, may be judged

BOUT the Middle of January, 1746, Monfieur Bourdenay left the Islan Ff 2

Mascarine in the Ship Hercules 1, of 70 Guns, bound for Pondicherry, having a Squadron- under his Command confifting of 14 Ships: Soon after the French left the Island they met with very bad Weather, wherein the French loft two of their Ships, and one small Vessel was separated, tho' fince proved to be fafe. The Hercules loft her Main-Mast, which with the Damages fullain'd by other Ships, oblig'd the French to put for Madagascar, where they lay two Months to refit and victual, and fetting fail in May, they reach'd the Coast of Cormandel the 24th of June, 1746, between the Island of Ceylon and the Main, designing to make the new French Settlement of Car-

ricol, to get News.

We must stop here to lament the Loss of Commodore Barnet, who died of a Nervous Fever at Fort St. David's Garden-House, the 29th of April, 1746, a Loss then greatly lamented, but fince most grievously felt by the English in these Parts. The Chief Command of the English Squadron sell to Capt.

Peyton, of the Ship Medivay. Early in the Morning & the 25th of June, 1746, the English Squadron being near to Negapatnan I, the French Squadron appeared in Sight, and bout 11 o'Clock the two Squadrons were near each other: The English Squadron confisted of the Ships Medway, Capt. Peyton &; the Prefton, Lord Northefk; the Harwick, Capt. Carteret; the Winchefter, Lord Thamas Bertie ||; the Medway's D Prize, Capt. Griffin **; and the Lively, Capt. Stevens; tho' the Lively was or-deted out of the Line and never fired a Gun.

The French Squadron confifted of the Hereules, Monsieur Bourdenay, and five Ships of 50 Guns, and three Ships of 40 Guns, and two Ships of 20 Guns, being in all eleven Ships: One of the fmall French Ships E was also out of the Line, and did not fire a Gun. We don't find how it happen'd, but it appears there was not a Gun fired until about four o'Clock in the Afternoon, Lord Northesk was order'd to attack the two headmost Ships of the French Line, and going to his Station pass'd by Monsieur Bourdenay, who fired his Broadside, and was answer'd by a Broadfide from Lord F Northeft, that lay'd open the Hercules's upper Tier of Guns: Capt, Carteret was order'd to attack the third and fourth Ships of the French Line; and Capt. Peyton engag'd the Hercules and another Ship in the Center of the Frenth Line; Lord Bertie engag'd the seventh and eighth Ships of the

French Line ; and Capt Griffin took up the three last Ships of the French Line.

The French Ships being full of Men fired very brifkly, and, particularly, the French had the better of the English in their Small Arms, which being observed by the English, they kept a proper Distance, and soon found that the English managed their Great Guns better than the French, and their Weight of Metal greatly exceeded the French: Monsieur Bourdenay also perceiving this, made two Attempts for boarding of the Medway, but he met with such a warm Reception both Times, that his People began to flag, and he gave a Signal for another Ship to come up to his Affitance, which Lord Bertie observed, and went up to affift the Medway, and the Medway's Prize was then attacked by four of the French Ships in the Rear; the French endeavoured to retake their Ship, and Capt,

Griffin as bravely defended himfelf. Night coming on, the Fight ceased: Lord Bertie ranged up to the Medway, and enquiring of Capt. Peyton, was answer'd, that all were well on board the Medway, fave only that she was very leaky, and employed many Hands to keep her clear: Lord Bertie acquainted Capt. Peyton, that he had loft two Men, and received some Damage in his Rigging, but hoped they should give a good Account of the French in the Morning. Early in the Morning, Lord Bertie and Capt Carteret were near to the French Ships, and expected the Signal to engage, but were greatly disappointed, by a Signal for a Council of War: The Council of War being met, Capt. Peyton acquainted the Council of the leaky Condition of the Ship Medway, and his Main-Mast wounded; Capt. Carteret had his Fore-Mast greatly wounded; Lord Bertie had fuffered in his Rigging; and Capt. Griffin had loft 30 Men: What elfe occurred is unknown, fave only that the Council agreed, that they repair their Ships at Crankanelly Bay ††, and so make another Attempt. The French drew their Ships in Form, and appeared ready to engage; but finding the English did not make a fecond Attack, they proceeded for Pondicherry.

But had the English known the Condition the French were in, the Difference must have been very great; for it is well atteffed, that the Freneb had spent their Fury and began to flag, that their Officers knew not what to do with them ; Monsieur Bourdenay loft many Men, besides 180 Men put

Now ealled by the French the Island of Bourbon, East of Madagascar, where they have + In the French Account this Ship is called the a most flourishing and populous Settlement. Southerly on the Cormandel Coaft. § Of 60 Guns. | Of 50 Guns each. | Of 4 Guns each. | Of 50 Guns each. | Of

on Shoar at Pondicherry, greatly wounded, and many had loft a Leg, or an Arm. The French had not above two Rounds of Powder left, they had lived many Days upon a Measure of Oil and two Measures of Cafb-Cafb * boiled with Water for each fpent, that there was not two Days Provition on board any of their Ships, and fome Ships had eat nothing for 24 Hours before they engaged: In short, it was only a Bravo in Monfieur Bourdenay to make an Appearance of fighting next Morning; for the French confess themselves, that they must have struck in half an Hour. But the English not making a fecond Attack, Mon- B fieur Bourdenay passed by Fort St. David the 20th of June, having 9 Ships under his Command; for the Infula, a Ship of 26 Guns, was obliged to run away, and with great Difficulty got into Bengal River, where the happened to touch Ground, and fell to pieces in an Instant: Another Ship was also missing, but since returned to Pon- C

The English having put into Crankanelly Bay, fpent a Month or fix Weeks; but were not able to refit their Ships or get Provisions: 'The French, in the same Time, repaired their Ships at Pondicberry, fent ashore their Sick and Wounded, and recruited with fresh Men, Arms, Powder, D and encreased their Weight of Metal on D

most of their Ships.

The two Squadrons appeared on the Seas, and were twice in Sight of each other, but neither cared to engage; it feems, there were but two of the French Ships that could fail any what like to the English, so that the English had much the

Heels of the French.

The 18th of August, 1746, the French Squadron, confifting of nine Sail, appeared before Fort St. George, and fired many Cannon on the Town, but did no great Mifchief; but they made a hard Push for taking the Company's Ship, Princess Mary, Captain Osborne; and it is said the Princess Mary received nine Broadfides from four of the French Ships, and Captain Ofborne as bravely defended his Ship. He loft not one Man but the Chaptain of the loft not one Man, but the Ship was fadly tore. However, the French went off for that Time. All the Ladies and their Attendants had fled from the Fort to the Dutch Factory at Pullicat, about three Hours + to the Northward of Fort St. George; but the Dutch refusing to give the Women the Pro-G tection of the Dutch Flag, the Women all returned to the Fort. The 17th of August,

Capt. Louis of the Country Ship, Fort St. George, fell in Company with the English Squadron off of the Island of Ceylon, and would have put himfelf under Convoy and Orders of Capt. Peyton, but Capt. Peyton excused himself; but as Capt. Louis failed Mels of five Men, and even that was fo A very well, he kept the Squadron Company until the 23d of August, and finding himfelf in the Latitude of Fort St. George, parted from the Squadron, and put into Fort St. George. The same Evening, the English Squadron made Pullicat, and fent an Officer to enquire News of Capt. Bright, of the Advice Snow, then lying there, The Officer returned on board of Capt. Peyton, and the Squadron failed feemingly to Southward, but after the Squadron was got to Sea, they failed Northward, and made Bengal River, and got into Ballafore Road the 1st of September, and came to Calcutta I about the 5th of September.

The 8th of October, arrived at Calcutta, Mr. Humfreyes Cole, having procured a Pastport from Monsieur Bourdenay, and a Pasfage from Fort St. George in a Dutch Ship, who brought an Account of the French taking of Fort St. George. Mr. Cole being in Fort St. George during the Siege, was able to recount many Particulars that would be too prolix for a Letter; but such as are

most useful are as follows:

The 3d of September, 1746, in the Evening, the French Squadron under Command of Monfieur Bourdenay appeared near Fort St. George, and that Night the French began to land their Men and Ammunition near Mile-End House, so called, as being a Mile to the Southward of Fort St. George. The Fort fired at that Place, but there were such a Number of Palmiera Trees, that it was difficult to see any of the Enemy, and confequently the Fort must fire at random. At Day-break of the 7th of September, the French began to bombard the Fort with feven Mortars from a Battery raifed near Mile-End House, and with 8 Mortars from a Battery behind the Company's Garden-House that lies North-West of the Fort, and to the Northward the French fent a Party to intercept the Water - Place from fupplying the Fort and Town with Water. Mr. Barnival relying on his former Acquaintance with Monsieur Boardenay, went out of the Fort at Night to defire Leave of Monsieur Bourdenay, that the English Women might leave the Town and Fort; to which Monsieur Bourdenay answered, that he would grant Leave for Governor Morfe's Lady and his God-daughter (meaning Mr. Barnival's Wife) and that each might

I Suppose the Author means Cuscusee, a Sort of little Balls like small Shot, made of Flour, much used by those upon the Barbary Coast. + Or Leagues. I In the Western Mouth of : Ganges,

chuse another Woman for a Cempanion, but no other Woman should pass. Mr. Barnival returning with no better Success, Governor Marse's Lady and Mrs. Barnival, were resolved to share the same Fate with the rest of the Women of the Town, and accordingly all the Women were lodged in the Portugueze Church at the one End, and the Surgeons with their Implements at the other End.

While the French were landing and preparing their Works, a Letter came from Monsieur Duplex, Governor of Poudicherry, advising Monsieur Bourdenay, that the Englifb Squadron were in Sight of Pondicherry; upon Receipt of which Letter, Monfieur Bourdenay and his People were under the B strongest Apprehensions, and every Thing stood still for three Hours; the Question being, Whether to repair immediately on board their Ships, or to flay to reship their Artillery, &c. During which Consternation, another Letter arrived from Monsieur Duplex, and advised, that the supposed English Squadron proved no more than a Parcel C of Country Vessels: Upon Receipt of this fecond Letter, Monsieur Bourdenay proceeded with his Works. From this, and many other Confiderations, it has been concluded, that had the English Squadron but shown themselves on the Seas, the French would not have dared to have befreged Fort. St. George; or had the English Squadron have come into the Road of Fort 3t, George D during the Siege, the English might have destroyed the French Squadron, and have feized all the French Artillery. &c. then brought on Shore.

The 8th of September, Mr. William Monfon, second of Council of Fort St. George, attended by Mr. John Hallyburton, as French Interpreter, went with a Meffage from E Governor Morse, and Council, to know of Monfieur Bourdenay, what Terms they were upon; to which Monfieur Bourdenay replied, that he was resolved to have the Town, or to lofe his and his People's Lives, and no other Terms would he hear of: So again, the Morning of the 9th of September, Mr. Monfon and Mr. Hallyburton went out to parley with Monfieur Bourdenay: But F Monsieur Bourdenay replied, it was in vain to suppose, he would be fatisfied with any thing less than the Town, and the Town he would have; faying, he was fure of having it, that he knew what Strength the English had in the Town, and offered to produce before Mr. Monfon's Face an Officer in the French Army for every private Man G in the English Fort, and shewed Mr. Monfon a Battery that the French had raised,

bearing 18 Guns of 24 Pounders, with which Bourdenay proposed to cover their Men while they scaled the Walls; adding, that if the Fort did not furrender, he would ftorm the Town, and then he could not answer for the Saving of any Man's Life; but if the Fort would furrender, the English should find his Generofity in the Terms of Peace, as great as his Ardour was for taking it, and then dismissed Mr. Monson, conditioning to wait 3 Hours for the English fending their final Answer; and as no Anfwer was fent in the limited Time, the French Mortars and Cannon began again to fire on the Fort and White Town with redoubled Vigour; and all the enfuing Night, the French Ships having warped near to the Shore, they fired on the Town and did great Damage, the English not firing one Gun all that Night; which made the French Proceeding appear quite furprifing to the English, who had fent a Message by a French Muftee *, a Person who acted, or pretended to act, as Doctor of Physick in the French Army; but the Messenger making some Blunder in delivering his Message, Monfieur Bourdenay was not fet to right until another Meffage arrived to him, early in the Morning of the 10th of September, when the French beat the Chammade, and ceased to fire on the Fort; and the French soon marched into the Town and Fort, perhaps fomewhat fooner on the following Occasion: Mr. Hallyburten was fent by Governor Morfe to acquaint Monfieur Bourdenay, that the English Soldiers began to mutiny, and publickly spirited up each other to shoot the Governor and plunder the Town, before the French could come; and therefore Governor Morfe defired Monfieur Bourdenay to take Poffession of the Town as foon as poffible: Accordingly, Monfieur Bourdenay marched into the Town at the Head of 1500 of his best Men, and having taken Poffession of the Town, the English mutinous Soldiers were no more seen or heard of. Monsieur Bourdenay having received the Compliments of his Officers, went out of the Fort to furvey the Town, and give the necessary Orders; and the next Morning, the 11th of September, marched into the Town the Remainder of the French Army, confifting of 1500 Sailors, all Frenchmen, and 2000 Caffrees † and Islanders that attended the Artillery and Ammunition, &c. all in ample Order, and under the strictest Discipline that can be conceived; and, indeed, Monfieur Bourdenay has always been remarkably fevere, and rather dreaded than loved by his People.

^{*} Mustees are of a mixed Breed, between Portugueze and Natives.

Eastern Coast of Africa, or the Descendants of such.

It has been already faid, that the French Squadron fired on the Town on the 18th of August, and so returned to Pondieberry. From that Day, the English Gentlemen without Exception, were raifed in the Nature of the Militia, under Mr. Monjon, the fecond of Council, and their Captain; the Gentlemen submitted to stand common A Centry, and do all the common Duty of a Soldier, on one common View, to fave and keep fresh their Soldiers for Action: Also 35 Men and their Officers from on board the Princess Mary, did common Duty: All the Natives that were able to bear Arms, fuch as the Portugueze and Armeniant, were also trained in the Militia, and served in the White-Town. The Soldiers B were quartered on the Points and Batteries of the Black-Town, and were daily fed with good Provisions, and Arrack given for Punch, befides Drams every Day; and yet, notwithstanding the most favourable Treatment, the English Soldiers were every Day more infolent, and threatning to mutiny: One Instance may be proper to in- C fert here, viz. As Mr. Monfon was paffing the Main-Guard Gate, then in Guard of the Militia, two of the Soldiers, in the rudest Manner, complained that the Dram-Cup was not large enough, and then taking hold of the Cuff of Mr. Monfon's Sleeve would needs carry him crofs the Street to the new Barracks, to fee their Dram-Cup, and how they were used. Such D was the general Tenor of their Behaviour, and so drunken and mutinous, that their Officers declared against fallying out of the Town against the Enemy, because the Officers could not trust to their Men, who did not amount in Number to 200 or 250 English and Dutch; for it must be observed, that all the black Jentous * left the Town, E and so also, on the first Day of the Bombarding, all the black Soldiers, to the Number of 4 to 500, leaped, or let themselves down from the Walls in the Night, and fled; so also the House Servants of all the Gentlemen and Ladies, and most of their Slaves, leaped down from the Walls in the Night, infomuch that the Gentlemen F and Ladies could not get Servants to kill F and dress any Victuals, or bring them Water to drink, every one, as he could best be spared at Times, going to his House to feed and get clean Cloaths; add to this, the constant Alarms of Bombs falling, caused every Man to leave Victuals, Drink, Cloaths, Sleep, and every Thing elfe, to run into the open Air, and fee which Way G to avoid the Bombs then falling. Thefe Alarms, so repeated from two French Batteries, as aferefaid, bearing 15 Mortars,

in the Space of every Half Hour, had fo harraffed and fatigued the Gentlemen, that they were ready to die for Want of Sleep the third Day. The Ladies were equally frightned and employed, Mrs. Morfe, and all of them, constantly sewing Cloth for Cartridge for the Great Guns. Many of the Cannon were dismounted, or rendered useless by the Breaking of the Gun Carriages, and in particular, the Axletrees of the Gun Carriages being made for Cheapness of Redwood, alias Logwood, the Iron Bolt split the Logwood upon the second or third Firing. Captain Eckman, the Com-mandant of the Military, had formerly been in the Wars in Flanders, but now superannuated, and unable to bear the Fatigue. Capt. Holland and Capt. Zengen of the Military, were very active, and kept a vigorous Fire from their respective Batteries. Capt. Smith, of the Gun-Room Crew, died the first Day of the Siege, of the Fatigue he had undergone from the Arrival of the French. The Garison Stores were very much out of Order, and the Gunner's People being composed of Muftees or Portugueze, they, like the black Soldiers, all deferted upon the first Day of Bombarding the Town; for it must be owned, though thefe Portugueze Men, and half Cast, may fight, and do very well against the Moors, and other Enemies, Natives of the Country, yet they will not face or stand the Fire of an European Enemy, though the Coffree Cast, and others on the Malay Coast + must be exempted from this Charge. On the other Hand, the French Gunners proved themselves greatly expert; for they threw above a hundred Bombs within the Compass of the Inner Fort, and fo in Proportion on the English Batteries, that annoyed the English from their Cannon for the Time being; and it is observed, that of 1100 to 1200 Bombs that the French fired, not above a Dozen fell in the Black Town: So that, though there were but few that died of their Wounds, yet the Houses, and all Parts of the Town, bave suffered greatly. Some Gentlemen have censured Governor Morfe, for giving up the Town only on the Loss of sour Men of Note; but others are of Opinion, that it was more prudent in the Governor to fave his and the Peoples Lives, by a timely Surrender of a Town that was utterly defenceless and untenable, than to wait the next Day for the Enemy to ftorm the Town, when it must needs happen that most of them must have been cut to Pieces, without the least View of Benefit to their Coun-Upon a Treaty with Monfieur Bourdenay,

the English agreed to ransom this Town at eleven hundred thousand Pagodas *; the Times of Payment are variously reported, but, in the mean Time, Hostages are given until Payment, v.z. Governor Morse's Daughter, of about five Years of Age; Meffieurs Stratton and Harris, of the Council, and their Wives; and Mr. Walsh and A Mr. Stark, both junior Servants of the Company; and the French to evacuate the Town by the First of Ostober. The French to carry away all the Company's Money, Goods, Wares and Merchandize, and the Half of all Garifon Stores whatever: All private Property to remain untouched, for which 'tis thought a private Valuation has been paid: Some Armenians have also paid B a Fine, but how much is yet unknown. It's impossible to make an Estimate of what the Company may suffer, but some People, in the Way of Discourse, have made the following Gueffes: But these must be left to every Man's Breaft to believe or confu!e.

Broad Cloth 500 Bales, about 6, Pagodas C Pieces each Bale, Is 3000 Pie-69000 ces, about 23 Pagodas each I iece in an Average. Papets and Camblets 20 Bales, each 20 Pieces, is 400 Pieces, 2000 about & Pagodas in an Aver. Treasure 75 Chests, each 8000 ? 181800 Mad. Rup. is 600000 40000 D Cash in Cheft Stores for Sale, viz. Iron in Bars, Anchors, Guns, Gunpowder, 60000 Lead, Shot, Cables, Cordage of all Sorts, Nails and IronWare. Garifon Stores (not for Sale) 65000 130000, the Half The Ranfom 1100000 Calicoes 3000 Bales, about 60 Pa i80000 E godas each Saltpetre 10000 Bags 30000 1727800

Add to these the Provisions and Stores laying there belonging to the King's Squadron.

Beef and Pork — 400 Barrels.

Meal — 200 Barrels.

Peafe — 1200 Bags.

Mafts, Yards, Sails, Anchors, Cables, Cordage, and all Manner of Stores, supposed to the Value of 20000 l.

It's faid that Monsieur Bourdenay blessed himself upon Sight of the King's Stores, and turning to his Officers about him, said, G they were more welcome than Pagodas, for they could not have been had for Money: The French foon fell to rigging and fitting their Ships with English Rigging, Tackle and Furniture.

As Monfieur Bourdeney has vowed to God, that he would plunder every Settlement the Company have in India, it's not to be doubted, but long ere this, Fort St. David has undergone the Fate of Fort St. George, with this Difference, that Fort St. David has always been a Thorn in the Side of Pondicherry, as being within three Hours Journey of it; and, therefore, as Monfieur Duplex has fworn, no Doubt that the French have razed the Place, and not left one Brick on another.

By the last Advices from Fort St. David, there were ready embaled for Europe 2000 Bales of Calicoes, which at 60 Pagodas each amounts to Pagodas 120000 There must needs be Garison Stores 50000 Some other Assets — 10000

of Cuddalore, cannot be worth

cless than

380000 It may be very eafy for fome Articles to be evercharged, as others are undervalued, and others entirely omitted; but without infifting on Particulars, the Lofs of thefe two Settlements must be allowed to amount to a Million of Pounds Sterling, even the first Loss: If there should be added, the Credit of the Port of Fort St. George, its annual Revenues (clear of all Charges and Difbursements in and on Account of itself, and all of the feveral subordinate Settlements and Factories,; feldom brought the Company less than 50000 Pagodas in the Year: The Loss of the Ship Sumatra, and the Advice Packet, the Danger daily threatning the Company's Ships and Trade, that must needs continue until Relief can come from Europe, perhaps twelve to eighteen Months hence; the Shock to the Company's Credit and Settlement in Bengal, and innumerable Difficulties, that daily present themselves; these and more must be the fatal Consequences of the Loss of that once-flourishing Settlement of Fort St. George; and God forbid, that Fort William and Town of Calcutta, do not incur the same Fate. While the English Squadron are in the River, they may prevent the French Squadron coming up the River, and thereby fave the Town; but should any Accident happen to our Squadron, or they leave the River on any Account, the French Squadron may be justly dreaded to come up the River, and then the Town cannot make so good, if that be allowed as any, Defence as For: St. George.

A Pagoda is worth from 78. and 6d. to 98. Sterling, according to the Exchange allowed by the Company.

Since the above, there are various Reports of a Sorm that happened in the Road of Fort St. George, the 3d of October, 1746, that has done great Damage to the French Squadron. The Dutch have Advices, that the English Brigantine, called the Brilliant, then in the Hands of the French, was drove on Shore: Also two of the French Squa- A dron drove on Shore, and one founder'd in the Road: 'Also four of the French Squadron, that were defign'd to attack Fort St. David, were loft: That the Hercules and another Ship had rid out the Storm with the Lofs of their Main-Mafts, but the others were put out to Sea, with the Loss of some one or other of their Masts: That five more French Men of War had arrived B from Europe and join'd Monsieur Bourdenay's Squadron, viz. one of 70 Guns, two of 50 Guns, and two of 40 Guns; and that three of these new Ships were of the Number of those that were lost: That the French still continue in Possession of Fort St. George: That Bourdenay has made the English to subscribe to several new Articles, C and that Monsieur Duplex has prevail'd over Monsieur Bourdenay, and sent a French Gentleman from Pondicherry to be Governor of Fort St. George and the Town, defigning, as it's given out, to fet afide the Articles of Capitulation, and keep the Town in the Hands of the French. Moreover, fome report, that the French have obliged D all the English Gentlemen to go to Sr. D Thomas's Mount, a Village that lies nine Miles to the Southward of Madrafs, and the French have feized all publick and private Property. But the Dutch have wrote News at feveral Times which have proved erroneous, and therefore we cannot depend of such Particulars; and as all Correspondence between Fort St. David, and Fort St. E. George, and this Place, are entirely stopt, we must wait with Patience under Uncertainty.

Mr. Prince, the English Chief of Vizagapatnam, advises, that Ensign Morgan, and 50
Soldiers, that fled from Fort Sr. George the
Night before the Town was delivered, were
atrived at Vizagapatnam: That some Lascari*, that were in the English Brigantine
Brilliam, are arrived at Vizagapatnam, giving an Account of the Storm that happened
the 3d of October, wherein were lost the
Brilliam and two French Ships on the Shoar,
and a French Ship foundered, and all the
rest of the French Ships drove out of the
Road of Fort St. George, except the Hercula, who has lost her Main-Mass.

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This News of the Storm has been Matter of great Comfort to the Enrilp, notwith-flanding the Uncertainty of Particulars; it

is conceived, it may be the Saving of Calcutta, until Commodore Griffin, or some Reinsorcement, may arrive at Bengal. As for Fort St. David, the Loss at Sea may, or may not, prevent the French taking that Place, just as it happens to affect their Number of Military.

N.B. We would not take upon us to correct the Stile, in any Part, that the Reader might have this Account in its native Drefs. And we think ourselves obliged to observe, that the Infinuations against the Conduct of Commodore Peyton, do not seem to be well founded. Confidering the Superiority of the Enemy, it is surprizing he was able to stand an Engagement, and prevent any of his Ships being taken. If the Enemy had fuffered so much, or were in such Want of Ammunition, as is represented, he could neither know it, nor suppose it, confidering their late Arrival; and if he could not repair his Ships, it was not his Fault, but the Fault of those that had never thought of providing a proper Port in the Bay of Bengal for that Purpose. Besides, he had Reafon to suppose, that no Ships of Force could fail from France for India without our Knowledge, and consequently he could not but expect to be joined in a short Time by a ftrong Reinforcement from England: (See P. 160.)

As the East-India Company's Settlement at MADRASS, otherwise called FORT ST. GEORGE, has of late become a principal Topick of Conversation, we gave a Plan of the Fort and White Town, with a short Description of the Place, in our lost Magazine; but as many of our Readers may desire to have a more full View and Description of the Place, we have in this Magazine given a Plan of that whole City, and shall add the following Account of it.

THE Company's Fort here is called Fort St. George, and from thence the whole City goes among the English by that Name; but by the other Europeans it is called Madrass, and by the Moors, Chinepatan. It lies in 13 Degrees some odd Minutes Northern Latitude, and in 80 Degrees some odd Minutes Eastern Longitude from London; so that the Sun rises there fix Hours sooner than he does here at the Time of the Equinoxes, that is to say, he rises there all the Year round when it is but Midnight here, and sets there when it is but Middeday or Noon here; and as the City lies so near the Meridian, there is very little Difference in the Length of the Days of

May

Nights all the Year round, for they generally reckon it there to be fix o'Clock in the Morning when the Sun rifes, and fix o'Clock at Night when the Sun fets, because they cannot depend on their Clocks or Watches, which never go true fo near the Meridian.

The Fort is a regular Square, with a Bastion at each Angle, and above 100 A Yards on each Side from the faliant Angle of one Bastion to the saliant Angle of the other *. The Fort is furrounded with a Rampart faced with a thick Wall of what they call Iron Stone, being of the Colour of unwrought Iron, and very rough on the Outfide like a Honey-Comb; but without any Ditch or Fosse on the Outside; and as B the Wall is hollow and arched within, which is made use of as Lodgings for the Soldiers upon Guard, it is questioned, if it be Cannon-proof; confequently, tho' it may ferve as a Fort good enough for Defence against the Natives, it could not hold out any Time against any of the European Powers, who came with proper Artillery, and C with a Number of Troops sufficient for making themselves Masters of the Country. It has but two Gates, the chief of which is in the Western Curtain, and overlooks the River. Here the Main Guard is kept, for as the Gate is large, with an arched Roof, it ferves well enough for this Purpole, and the Soldiers are lodged in the hollow Places of the Wall on each Side while they are D upon Guard; for at other Times they are ledged in a Barrack or Guard-House without the Fort, over-against this Gate. The other is a small Gate in the East Curtain, which looks towards the Sea, and is guarded only by a File of Musqueteers.

In the Middle of the Fort stands the Governor's House, in which also are Apart- E ments for the Company's Servants. It is a handsome, lofty, square, Sone Building, to the first Apartment of which you afcend by ten or twelve Steps, and from thence another l'air of Stairs leads to the Council-

Chamber and the Governor's Lodgings. This Fort stands almost in the Middle of the White Tozon, which is an oblong Square, of above a Quarter of a Mile in Length, F but not half so much in Breadth. It is defended by a Stone Wall on the South, East, and North Sides, and on the West by the River, and a Rampart of Earth, with a Sort of Bastions at each of the Angles, and ore near the Middle, of each of the two long Curtains; but has no Moat or Ditch, the both the Fort and Town might G Distance from the Beach, that the Boat early have been furrounded with a wet Dirch, by Means of a little River which runs along the West Side of the Town, and

empties itself in the Sea, at a little Distance from the South Side of the Town, betwixt which and it there is a little Suburb, inhabited only by Watermen and Fishermen, and beyond them there is usually an Outguard of Blacks, which would ferve to give Intelligence to the Fort in Case of an Enemy's approaching on that Side.

To the Northward, adjoining to the White Town, stands a much larger, called the Black Town, where the Portugueze, Indians, Armenians, and a great Variety of other People, inhabit. This is likewife built in the Form of a Square, and is more than a Mile and an Half in Circumference. On the West and North Side, it is fortified with a Brick Wall 17 Foot thick, with a Sort of Bastions at proper Distances; on the East, it is defended by the Sea, which comes almost close up to the Houses; and on the West, there is a little Brook, from which there is a Canal cut to the Sea, along the North Side of the Town; fo that it is moated, as well as walled in, upon the West and North Side.

To the North of this Town, next the Sea, there is a Suburb called Mutial Peta, with Gardens between it and the abovementioned little Brook, which are wellplanted with Cocoa - Trees, Orange - Trees, &c. where Gentlemen may walk and buy Fruit at a very cheap Rate; and along the Brook of each Side, there is a Walk planted with Trees, where the People divert themfelves with walking under the Shade, from thence called Merchants Walk.

Upon the West of the Black Town, there is another Suburb called Comer Peta, furrounded with Gardens, particularly the Company's fine Garden, which lies upon the South Side betwixt it and the River; and befides these Suburbs, the Company have a large Territory, with many little Villages belonging to them, and under their Government, having been purchased of the King of Golconda many Years ago; so that from the Town of Madrass and the Villages round it, they have a very confiderable yearly Revenue; and if any Sort of Harbour had been made for even but fmall Craft, the Territory might have been very much improved; but there is no Harbour for any Thing, nothing but an open Road, where the Ships are very unfafe, and the Sea to shallow for a good Way out, that no Ship can come near the Shore, nor is there any landing but in the Country-Boats, the Surf being fo high and at fuch a often ftrike, and fuch as ours would be dashed to Pieces.

Company, I must not forget mentioning St. Thomas's Mount, about feven or eight Miles to the Westward of the Town, where the Company have a Country-House and Garden. Here, according to the Tradition of the Country, St. Thomas lies buried, who first preached the Christian Religion, and was martyred in this Country; A and the Portugueze fay, that when they first landed here, they found many of the Natives that professed a Sort of Christianity, but had never heard, nor would own the Iwisdiction of the Pope of Rome; for which Reason, I suppose, the Portugueze treated them worfe than they did either the Mabo-

metans or the Pagans. In the White Town, where the Europeans B inhabit, there are fix principal Streets, three to the North, and three to the South of the Fort; and the Houses are all of Brick, feveral of them two Stories high, but all with flat Roofs, and covered with a Plaister made of Sea-Shells, which no Rain can penetrate. As these flat Roofs are secured by fresh Air, Evening and Morning. There are in this Town feveral magnificent publick Buildings, particularly the PortuguezeChurch, which stands on the North Side of the Fort: The English Church, which stands on the South Side, and is a pretty elegant Bullding, with a handsome Altar-Piece, a D Gallery of fine carved Wood resembling Cedar, supposed to be Mohogany, and an Organ, with which, as has been obferved, they falute God and the Governor, because it always plays when he comes into the Church; but whether they have composed a particular Anthem for this Purpose, I have not heard: An Hospital, which joining to the Barrack, and is a very commodious, as well as useful Building: At the other, to wit, the South End of the Soldiers Barrack, is the Company's Mint, where they, in pursuance of their Charter, coin both Gold and Silver, and have proper Officers for that Purpose: And lastly, the Town-Hall, South East of the Fort, where F the Mayor and his Brethren affemble, and a Court of Justice is held for Civil Causes, relating to the Natives.

As to the Black Town, the Streets are much more numerous, and more spacious than those of the White Town, with this farther Advantage, that fome of them are planted with Trees; but the Houses are not near fo good. Some few of them are G built with Brick, but the rest are wretched Cottages, with Walls of Clay, and thatched with Palmetto Leaves. According to the East India Manner, they have no Windows on the Outside, but are all built round a Court Yard, from whence only they have

Light, and none of them have any Furniture within, but the Mats and Carpets the People lie on, with a few forry Utenfils for dreffing their Victuals. This they need not give themselves much Trouble about, for a Stranger feldom comes any farther than the Door, before which is erected a little Shade, supported by Pillars, where they fit crofs-legged Morning and Evening to receive Visits and transact Business. In this Town, likewise, there are some publick Buildings which make a tolerable Figure, fuch as the Armenian Church, and several Pagodas or Indian Temples, to the latter of which, besides their Priests, belong great Numbers of Female Choristers or Singing - Women. Thefe, like Nuns, are, in their Youth, devoted to the Service of the Temple and the Priests, and spend fome Part of their Time in finging Anthems to their Idols; but as they are not locked up, they spend the rest with Gallants of all Religions and Nations. They likewise serve the Publick in another Capa-Battlements, the Inhabitants make use of C city; for when any great Man or rich them for walking in a Dishabille to take the Merchant goes abroad, he has a Number of these Girls, who run singing before him; and even some of our Governors have made use of this Piece of Grandeur, having kept 50 of these Girls for this Purpose; but whether they made use of them for any other, our Travellers do not mention.

In this Settlement, the supreme Government, under the Company, is administered by the Governor and fix Counfellors, all appointed by the Company. They dispose of all Places of Profit or Truft, and try all Crimes that are not capital, and may inflict any Punishment, except Death or Demembration, even on fuch Europeans as are there in the Company's Service. But stands on the West Side of the Fort, ad- E as to capital Crimes, or such as are to be punished by Demembration, the Offenders are imprisoned till they can be sent to Exrope; tho' it is observed by some Writers, that if a Man be once imprisoned, he rarely lives to be fent to Europe; for he is confined in a dark Dungeon, hot as a Bagnio, under the Wall of the Town, fed with Rice and Water, without Pen or Ink, and no Man allowed to converse with him. There is also a Court of Mayor and Aldermen held twice a Week at the Town-Hall, for determining all Disputes of a Civil Nature among the Natives; but Civil Caufes among the Europeans are tried before the Judge-Advocate by a Jury. There are also Justices of the Peace, who hold their Seffions in the Black Town, for trying criminal Matters among the Natives; and fometimes proceed fo far as to cut off the Offender's Ears in the Pillory. There is likewife a Court of Admiralty for maritime Affairs; and the Governor fome intes appoints a Cours

Court Martial, for trying and punishing the Soldiers.

The Governor of this Place is likewise Governor of all the Company's Settlements on the Cormandel Coast and the Coast of the Island of Sumatra, the Gentlemen who prefide in the other Settlements being only his Deputies; and for affifting him to ma- A nage the Company's Trade, he has at Madrass, besides the Council, two Senior and two Junior Merchants, five Factors, and ten Writers. Besides these, the Company have at Madrass two Chaplains, a Surgeon, an Attorney-General, and feveral other Officers, to all of whom, from the Governor to the lowest Officer, the Company allows Salaries. These Salaries are indeed B but fmall, but as they are all concerned in the Country Trade, not excepting even the Chaplains, no one of them that has any Conduct can miss of making a Fortune in a few Years; and few Governors miss coming home worth a Plumb at least; from whence we may guess what an immense Trade is carried on from one Part of this C Country to the other, besides that which is carried on by the Company between it

and England.

For the Security of this Settlement and the valuable Branch of Trade depending thereon, the Company keep but three Companies of British Soldiers, confisting of Fourscore or an Hundred Men each, by Way of Garison in the Fort and White Town. These D Companies are commanded each by a Lieutenant and two Enfigns, the Governor and the two fenior Councellors being Captains. Refides thefe, the Company keep in constant Pay a Sort of Standing Army of 2 or 300 Black Natives, who ferve for Outguards, and for keeping the People in Obedience, as well as for defending them against E any Attack that might be made by the neighbouring Raja's or Princes; and against any such Attack a large Body of good enough Troops might be made up of the Inhabitants; but against an European Enemy, neither the Inhabitants nor the standing Army of Blacks could be of any Service, because no Dependence can be had either upon their Courage or Fidelity. Even F the British Soldiers, if some Writers are to be credited, are not much to be depended on; for the' they may live very comfortably upon their Pay, they are kept fo confined, often fo gruelly used, and without any Hopes of ever having Leave to return to their native Country, that it is to be feared, they would be glad of being conquered and re- G duced under the Power of any other European State whatever.

This may furnish us with a Reason why the French have been able with fo much Eafe to make themselves Masters of this Settlement; and as the French, wherever they

fettle, are at great Pains to cultivate a Cor. respondence with, and gain the Affection of the Natives, we may find it difficult to recover this Settlement out of their Hands, unless it be by Treaty, which we cannot expect till we have beat their Armies and reduced their Power upon the Continent of Europe.

Form of proclaiming his Screne Highness the Prince of Orange STADTHOLDER, by the States of Holland and West-Friesland, at the Hague; agreeably to which be was likewise proclaim'd in the other Provinces

HE States of Holland and West-Friesland, to all those who shall see, or hear read, there Prefents, fend Greeting; that is to fay, That in Confideration of the critical Constitution and Conjuncture of As. fairs, and in order to extricate eafily, by the Divine Bleffing, the State of these Provinces out of the thorny and dangerous Situation it is in at present; We have, by the unanimous Consent of all the Members which compose our Affembly, this Day elected and established in our faid Affembly, his Serene Highness Lord William Charles Henry Friso, Prince of Orange and Nassau, to be Stadtholder, Captain General, and Admiral of the Forces of these Provinces, by Land and Sea: Enjoining our first Secretary to declare this to the People, from one of the Windows of our Court here at the Hague, and the Magi-Arate of the Hague to do the same from the Top of the Hall of this Town.

Done at the Hague, May 3, 1747.

By Order of the Lords the States, WILLIAM BUYS. (Signed)

As foon as M. Buys had finished reading this Notification, the vast Croud of Spectators shouted with loud Aeclamations of Joy, and not a Word was heard for some Time, but Orange for ever, mixed with continual Huzzas. During all this Time the Trumpets played; and now the Orange Standard was hung out at the Window of the Court-House, just over the Door, where the first Herald of the States held it waving some Time, and after that it was fixed to remain there. In the mean Time, the above Notification was transmitted to the Magistrate of the Town, who came upon the Steps at the Door of the Town Hall, and published the fame, with the loud Acclamations of the People; all the Magi-firacy appearing at the Windows with Orange Cockades, the Orange Standard playing before the Door of the Town-Hall, and being afterwards fet up there. At Night were grand Illuminations, and the greatest Demonstrations of Joy by all Ranks of People.



With tempting looks, and flattering smiles,
Too soon a conquest gains;
Makes him a flave to all her wiles,
Then leaves him in his chains.

Imperious fhe does tyrannize,
And wounds each harmless swain;
First sooths his heart with macthless joys,
Then gives him wretched pain.

Ye youths, who ha'n't already known
The magick of her eyes,
Be rul'd, and from th' inchantres run,
Lest you become her prize.

The hook does lie beneath the bait,
With smiles she draws you on;
But soon you'll find, when 'tis too late,
You're by her frowns undone.

On the SPRING.

HAIL welcome fpring! thou lov'd aufpicious guest! [breast, Whose blooming presence fires my grateful No wintry prospects now the fields deface, But chilling blasts to vernal airs give place. Ambrosial dews and soft descending show'rs, Refresh the earth and spread the new-blown flow'rs.

The grazing herds thro' verdant pastures

O'erjoy'd and pleas'd with the refreshing change.

The sportive lambs on sunny hillocks lie;
And feather'd songsters clap their winge
for joy.

Th' imprison'd bee, to liberty restor'd, Extracts the juice which liquid blooms afford.

Each morning gives the blushing roses birth, And adds new beauties to the teeming earth; The dewy sweetness from the cowssip

drops, [tops, The hills with pride unfold their flow'ry And breathing zephyrs fan the fragrant

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Rejoice, ye fwains! the nymph shall now

comply,

And fcornful Cloe be no longer coy; Her glowing lip shall give the yielding kifs, And kind indulgence crown the lover's blifs; For this foft feafon does each passion move, Melts the hard heart, and tunes the voice to love.

The am'rous pair thro' lawns and woodlands ftray, To gather flow'rs, and tafte the fweets of Link'd arm in arm, enamour'd walk along, While birds melodious chant their evening

The ardent youth, officious love to show, Culls ev'ry bank where purple vi'lets grow, And robs gay Flora of her springing store, To add new tweets where all was fweet before.

Thus blefe'd, like Eden's happy pair they rove, love : Each pleasure crown'd with harmony and Od riferous greens in ev'ry hedge abound, One universal freshness decks the ground, And chearful nature gaily fmiles around.

The honest rustick now his cott forsakes, And thro' the fields his daily rambles takes; With curious eye he views the prosp'rous

corn, While fmiling gladness does his brow adorn; Joyful he fees the blooming orchard shoot, And genial fun-beams nurse the budding

fruit; The moisten'd mead with pleasure fills his Whose graffy surface waves before the wind: Next, the old oak his admiration gains, Who, bruis'd with lightning, ftorms, and

beating rains.

Reviving tells them all their rage is vain, Shoots forth his leaves, and once looks gay again.

On ev'ry fide the pleafing feenes invite, Dear promis'd plenty charms his ravish'd

fight, And each new object gives him fresh de-Oh! wou'd but man from this great instance learn,

God's providential goodness to discern! Why does the earth her bounteous gifts produce,

But for unthinking man's support and use? For him the corn in fertile valleys shoots; For him the orchard yields her yearly fruits; meads,

For him kind nature cloaths the verdant For him the oak his lofty branches fpreads. O! let us then adore the Caufe Supreme! And think how vast the debt we owe to

Let inward pleasure glow in ev'ry breast, Let grateful praises be with joy express'd, And let's with rapture own how much we're bluis'd

Os the FOUNDLING-HOSPITAL

OW does my Muse exult, to find A free-born spirit spread! The fons their fathers virtues share, And emulate the dead!

Britain was greatly fam'd of old For gen'rous, noble thought; Fair temples rose by pious hands, And heroes bravely fought.

No fordid views could virtue blind, Each fcorn'd a shameful part; The brightest star the nobles wore Was honour in the heart.

How can he e'er be justly prais'd, Who found the means to move An age quite funk in northern cold, To warm, foft-pitying love?

Who fav'd the innocent from death, The poor from pinching cold; And made e'en mifers part for shame With their true idol, gold.

Then C-m fame deferves, whose zeal This gen'rous spirit rais'd; Tho' others have a glorious share, Yet be the mover prais'd!

What heart-corroding guilt by him Has thus prevented been? When Britain's guilt was swell'd so high, He clos'd the murd'rous scene.

E'en poverty now wipes her tear, And hopes her fons may prove Subjects inspir'd with rising thoughts, And worthy England's love.

On the DEATH of a Rev. DIVINE.

CAY, peaceful Hermes, for thy golden red Oconducts the happy to the bleft abode; Say, didst thou lead in all thy airy train, A fairer spirit to th' Elysian plain? Could the pure effence of ætherial flame Receive less tincture from an earthly frame? O thou example of untainted youth! Thou friend to plain fincerity and truth! 'Twas thine to shun false pleasure's mazy wiles,

Her wanton graces, and perfidious fmiles; Alcides-like, the virtuous path to trace, Where all is pleasantness, and all is peace. Wifely he steer'd between the two extremes Of cold indiff 'rence, and fanatick schemes. With facred zeal his glowing breast was

fir'd, Devout, not frantick; holy, not inspir'd. Bleft man! along life's troubled ftream to Thro' ftorms and tempefts, with a profp'rous To hear, when death triumphant shook his

The dreadful furnmons with a chearful heart.

Sure, fweet reflections on a life well-spent, Made the heart easy, and the mind content; Soeth'd all his anguish, soften'd all his woe, And brav'd the horrors of the ghastly soe; Bade heav'nly prospects all around him rise, And pleasing objects bless his closing eyes. A scene most noble in this mortal state! A good man yielding to the will of fate: Like Pbæbus sinking in th' Hesperian wave, He sets with radiant glory in his grave.

The PLEASURES of the NIGHT.

Luna negat. ____ VIRG.

O Thou! whose pinion did o'erspread the deep,
'Ere the Almighty Father spake the world, Incumbent o'er th' illimitable void, [lyre, O Night! O facred shade! thee sounds my Thee, best-lov'd subject of the serious Muse.

Of noontide fplendors, and the beamy fun, Of shady woodlands, and of eddying floods, That, warbling, flow the breezy mead along, Who fings not, raptur'd with the magick

fcene? [hour! Far diff'rent joys I fing:—The midnight The penfive pleasures of the filent Night! Thy bleffings, meditation, how divine!

How fweetly folems, this thy chosen hour!— View, heav'nly Muse, you rolling orbs on high,

You rolling orbs in equal balance pois'd,
Obedient to their Maker's great controut.—
Ponder this grateful change of light and

[bade,

Still light and shade are but the varied God. His goodness beams, illustrious, in the sun, Who, early journeying o'er the eastern hills, Gladdens, with orient ray, th' adoring world: In ev'ning-tide his tenderness and love

Refresh tir'd automorphish has been because the second statement of the second second

Refresh tir'd nature with the balmy breeze: His terrors in the boist'rous whirlwind roar, His kindness lulls the whistling winds to sleep, And softly breathes along the panting gale.—

from this thick gloom, by light-wing'd fancy led, [track The mounting mind pursues the glitt'ring Of those, who, victors in the glorious chace, Shine ever blooming on the rolls of fame;

—Pursues the track—herself, (hard fate!)

condemn'd
To fleep, unnoted, with the vulgar dead.
In dufky vapour of the night inspher'd,
Quick fancy penetrates the gen'ral's tent;
He, with dull step, treads o'er his solemn
round, [hour;
And spends in anxious thought the sleepless
High rais'd in station 'bove the common
herd, [perplext.
And 'bove them too with tort'ring cares

Not so the humble cottager appears,
Who, on the lily-woven bank reclin'd,
Inhales the freshness of the vernal air:
He (happy mertal!) careless and at ease,
Hears the wild world in loud commotion
tost;

Not more dismay'd than is the mariner, When distant thunders mutter in his ear.— 'Twas in these shades that thou *, un-

happy bard, Whose vocal griefs in melting numbers flow,

And melancholy joys diffuse around, Heroically humble, didst submit Thy passions to the Sov'reign's righteous

will; [stream, Soft blew the wind, and gently flow'd the Whilst sympathizing nature made a pause In deep attention to thy moral song.

See 'twixt you parting clouds the beaming light! [broad difk: The moon, o'er you high hill, heaves her Come, heav'nly light, enliv'ning radiance,

Illumine, with thy ray, the azure vault:
How pleasant, how transporting is the scene!
How sprightly saine the stars, and glitt'ring roll,

By founds of mystick harmony inform'd,
Thro' trackless æther in their orbits wide!

Hark, usher'd in by joy's tumultuous
voice,

[tow'r:

Wakes the loud musick in you distant On Eurus' wing the rapid sounds aspire, The mighty concert shakes the troubled sky: 'Tis so—This night to thee, great Cumbria's prince,

In folemn mirth, Britannia confecrates,
To thee — whose sword, vindictive of our
rights,

Chastis'd rebellion's insolence, and quell'd
Her savage numbers on the well-fought
plain.

[fucceed,

They cease — yet more harmonious sounds While Pbilomela, from the neighbouring bay, Wailing, renews her solitary song;

Borne on the swelling gale, her gentle note, Sostens the murmurs of the dying breeze. This, sure, the scene that ravish'd Sbake-

Spear's eye, [fion, leads Whose * dreaming Muse, in sweet confu-The well-pleas'd reader thro' the umber deplain,

O'er hill, o'er dale, beside the rushy brook, Lur'd with the musick of his fairy song. O! could I equal his majestick strain!

Full oft 1'd wander thro' the chequer'd grove, [scene; And paint the beauties of th' enchanting Spontaneous, should th' untutor'd numbers

Tho'

So just, so noble, that e'en Phabus' felf,

The Author of the Night Thoughts on Life, Death, and Immortality. + Midfummer Night's Dream.

Z.

Tho' my glad verse exalts his rival's praise, Should, with unfading laurel, wreathe my brow.

The INVITATION.

To Mifs D. L.

A WAKE, my fweet Clorinda, wake!
Come fee the lambkins play;
See! how the blooming fpring does make
All nature blithe and gay.

Come, hear the thrush, whose chearful note Enamours ev'ry grove; See! how he rears his tuneful throat,

With ev'ry gale of love.

Come, let us visit flow'ry meads,
Where Hymen tempts our stay;
Where shady alders raise their heads,
And Thame glides smooth away.

There will I tell my tale of love, And ease my wounded breast; There will I pray to pow'rs above, To make thee ever blest.

Oft will I view thy beauteous charms, Which thro' my bosom stray; Oft will I fold thee in my arms, And be for ever gay.

Thy beauties all, I will inclose,
Which autumn-blasts would fade;
And as the fun revives the rose,
I'll chear my fav'rite maid.

Upon feeing Miss W-E Dance.

BE fill my heart, thy vain attempt forbear, Nor hope to paint fair W_ -e's winning How vain th' attempt !- Apelles' pen would [prevail? fail, And what can words, where colours can't What thrilling raptures fwell'd my flutt'ring breaft! confest; e flood con-In act to dance, when W-Ten thousand graces wanton in her face, Ten thousand loves her matchless form em-The charms, brace. But gods! the moves - and as the moves Enchants each eye, and ev'ry bosom warms. Perfection shines, adorn'd with honest truth, Deck'd with the roseate charms of blooming youth. Such is fair W--e, - elegantly neat, Artless as nature, yet as art compleat;

Commanding, graceful, modest, and polite, Form'd to enchant the heart, and please the fight;
Reserv'd, yet free; tho' easy, yet refin'd;
With Venus' form, and wise Minerwa's mind.
These bright persections, excellence, are

thine; [them mine. Bestow her, heav'n, on me, and make Cambridge, Blay 3, 1747.

On Mifs -- ALDERSEY, feeing her at

HEN first my eyes beheld the matchless fair, [ear,
And her fost accents charm'd my ravish'd
My senses faulter'd thro' the sweet surprize,
Struck with the lovely lightning of her
eyes;

And to the melting musick of her voice, Blest angels hearken, and with me rejoice. But when her notes reach heaven's eternal King, [fing; And her sweet warbling voice his praises Her soul affenting to her heav'nly tongue, As God affists, so he accepts the song. Say, seeble Muse, can you attempt to trace Th' unnumber'd beauties of Aspasia's sace, Her shape, yer motion, her majestick mein,

Yet mild and melting, as her foul ferene?

May each new day fome new enjoyment
yield, [mer's field;

Fresh as the flow'rs that crown the sumSafe in a feraph's softest pinion laid,

Sweet be the flumbers of the charming maid; [may have And when the dies, heav'n grant that the As fafe, as happy, and as foft a grave.

S. S-FE.

On the Fate of SLUYS in Dutch Flanders.

Vendidit hic auro patriam, dominumque po-

THE poet Virgil places those in Hell,
Who, brib'd by foreign gold, their

country fell—
Can native Dutch, to freedom born and bred,
As dupes and tools by Gallick fraud be led?
Will provinces, that Spanish thraldom broke,
And drew their necks from cruel Alva's
yoke,

Submit to wear tyrannick Gallia's chains, Whilst a true branch of Orange house re-

Go, pensioners, and slaves to France and Rome,

The hottest place in hell is your just doom.

On the Promotion of Mr. THOMAS STONE to be Chief Customer at NEWCASTLE.

be o'erthrown?

Lo! each has now a proper share of Stone.

Hibernia, where the church most tott'ring

stood,

And where the pillars heretofore were Wood, Long buttress'd up with Stone has kept her

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ground,

And now with Stone the edifice is crown'd.

Our civil building cannot want repairs,

For Stone is us'd in all our state affairs:

And most secure the Custom-bouse must stand,

Where Stone's employ'd to sence in all the

strand.

Monthly Chronologer.

FRIDAY, May 1.



HE Foundation-Stone for a Chapel to the Foundling-Hospital in Lamb's-Conduit-Fields; was laid by Theodore Jacobson, Esq; on which was a Plate with the following Inscription:

The Foundation of this Chapel was laid the fift Day of May, Anno Dom. 1747, and in the 20th Year of the Reign of his Most Secred Majesty GEORGE II.

A great Concourse of the Nobility and Lades of Distinction attended, and were at the Breakfasting given by the Governors; after which a Collection was made, which amounted to upwards of a 1000 /.

The Sessions ended at the Old Baily, when the five following Malefactors received Sentence of Death, viz. John Bruce, for stealing a Mare: - Martha Paine, for privately stealing a Silver Watch: - John Exelby, for a Burglary : - And John Munfon and John Hudson, for Felonies.

Sir Hefter M' Lean, one of the State Prifoners, was discharged out of Newgate, by Order of his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, and delivered into the Custody of a Mes-

fenger. (See Mag. for 1745, P. 3591)
The Printer of the London Magazine was discharged out of Custody of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, having been confined by the Right Hon. the House of Lords, for printing Lord Lovat's Trial, Sc. in the Month of March last.

TUESDAY, 5.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Morton (who . and been sometime Prisoner in France) and his Lady, arrived at their House in Brookfreit, Grofvenor-Square.

Mr. Baron Reynolds and Mr. Baron Clive went to the Court-House at St. Margaret'shill, Southwark; Peter Theobald and Henry Hall, Elgrs. two others in the King's Com. miffion for the Trial of the Rebel Prifoners, were also present, and the Court ad-

farther adjourn'd to July 3.

The fame Day, Sir James Kin'och, Bart. and his two Brothers, Charles and Alexander, who der, who were under Sentence of Death in the New-Goal, Southwark, for High Treason, were discharged from that Prison by an Order from his Grace the Duke of Newcoffle, and delivered into the Custody of one of his Majesty's Messengers.

At the Rehearfal of the Mufick for the Fust of the Sons of the Clergy, at Sr. May, 1747.

Paul's, their Royal Highnesses Prince George and Prince Edward were present, attended by feveral of the Nobility. They went in a Coach of State drawn by fix Horfes, richly dreffed with Orange-colour'd Ribbands, and escorted by a Party of the Horse-Grenadier and Life-Guards: There was a grand Appearance of the Quality and Gentry, and the Collection amounted (with 100% Bank Note which was given by their Royal Highnesses) to 486 '. which is upwards of 120 /. more than was collected last Year. (See the Stewards Address of Thanks to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, p. 221.)

THURSDAY,

The General Affembly of the Church of Scotland met at Edinburgh, when his Grace his Majesty's High Commissioner (viz. the Earl of Leven) went to the High Church in great State, and Mr. Robert Kinloch, one of the Edinburgh Ministers, was almost unanimoufly chosen Moderator.

The Aniversary Feast of the Sons of the The Money Clergy was held on this Day. then collected, with that before at Sr. Paul's, amounted to near 11col. the largest Collection ever made on the Occasion.

An Express arrived at the General-Post-Office from Briffol, with an Account that William and Thomas Bibbie, charged with the Robbery of the Cheffer Mail on the 22d of April, in Company with Robert King Parkinson, now in Newgate, were appre-hended at that Place on Friday last, having entered themselves on board the Delphin Privateer, fitting out in that Port, and al-

most ready to fail. (See p. 197.)

MONDAY, 11.

A grand Meeting of the most eminent Physicians of London, &c. was held at their College in Warwick-Lane, when the Elec-tion of a Botany Profestor for Oxford came on, in the Room of Dr. Dilennius, deceas'd (see p. 108;) the Candidates were Dr. Sibtborpe and Dr. Ruding, when the former was chose by a great Majority. This Professorship was sounded by the late Learned Dr. Sherrard, many Years Conful at Smyrna, who invested a Right of Prefentation in the faid College of Physicians.

A Perpetuity paffed the Great Seal about this Time, incorporating the Bishop of Lon-don, the Archdeacon of Essex, the Archdeacon of Sr. Albans, and many others, into one Body Politick, for the Relief of poor Clergymens Widows and Children

within the Diocese of London, and to hold in Mortmain Lands of 1500 l. per Annum.

We were informed, that feveral large Ships failed lately from Leverpoole, with the Rebell Prisoners, which came thither a few Days before, from the Goals of Carl fle, Lancaster, Chiffer, York, and Lincoln, to the Number of 430, under a strong Convoy to Virginia and Maryland, and other of his Majesty's Plantations; which makes the Whole of what have been transported upwards of

TUESDAY, 12.

Was held a Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen, when the Election of an Ordinary of Newgate, in the Room of the Rev. Mr. Rofwell, deceased, came on; (see p. 149.) The Candidates were the Rev. Mr. Taylor, the Rev. Mr. Mason, the Rev. Mr. Patterson, and the Rev. Mr. Villett; and being reduced to two, the Numbers stood as follow:

For Mr. Taylor — 14 Mr. Majon — 5

Whereupon the former was declared duly elected.

We were affured, that M. Euffen, who has lately made a Discovery in France of a Speculum, which fets Objects on Fire at the Distance of 120 Yards, has also written a Differtation, to prove, that there is nothing either false or absurd in the Account we have of the Burning of the Roman Ships at the Siege of Syracuse, by Archinedes; which Discourse of his was highly applauded in the Academy of Sciences. There are already at Paris 7 Mirrors esteemed the finest in Europe. 1. That made by the Sieur Vil-Library, is of Metal, and burns by Re-flexion. 2. Another by the same Hand, 43 Inches in Diameter. 3. That of the Sieur de la Garoufie, a Gentleman of Quercy, 61 Inches in Diameter, and is kept at the Observatory. 4. The Saxon Mirror, made by the famous M. Tscbernbaus, is of Copper, and bigger than any of those abovementioned. 5. Another of Glass by the same Hand, which burns by Refraction. 6. The Mirror of Orleans, made for the late Duke Regent, by the fame Tjebernbaus, the Focus of which is at 12 Feet Distance, and has been hitherto esteemed inimitable. 7. That of the celebrated Haert socker, which s of Glass, and was made in the Year 1704.

WEDNESDAY, 13.

Was held the annual General Meeting of the Governors and Guardians of the Hospital for the Maintenance and Education of exposed and deserted young Children, in Lamb's Conduit Fields, for electing by Ballot, pursuant to their Charter, a President, fix Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, the General Committee for transacting the

Affairs of the faid Hospital, and a Segretary for the Year ensuing; when the following were fo elected.—The Duke of Bedford, Prefident .- Lord Vere Beauclerk, Lord Ch. Cavendish, Peter Burrell, Esq; Joseph Faw. throp, Esq; Sir John Heathcote, Bart. John Milner, Efq; Vice - Prefidents. - Taylor White, Efq; Treasurer. - Note, of the 42 Members to make the General Committee 50, the last 14 were not of the last Year's Committee. — Duke of Richmond,—Duke of Portland, - Earl of Macclesfield, - Earl of Leicester, - Earl of Orford, - William Adair, Efq;-Stephen Beckingham, Efq;-Samuel Clarke, Efq; - Robert Cramond, Efq; - William Fauquier, Efq; - William Fawkener, Efq; - Sir William Heathcote, Bart. — Theodore Jacobson, Esq; — James Lambe, Esq; — Matthew Lamb, Esq; — John Laroche, Esq; — James Lever, Esq;— Sir James Lowther, Bart. — Mr. Gibert Malcher, - Dr. Mead, - James Mead, Elq; -Sir Hans Sloane, Bart .- Thomas Strode, Efq;—Mr. Thomas Swayne,—James Theo-bald, Efq;—Thomas Tower, Efq;—Hon. James Vernon, Efq;— John Waple, Efq; —Earl of Findlater and Seafield,—Barnaby Blackwell, Efq;-Felix Calvert, Efq; Richard Crop, Efq;-Charles Cutter, Efq;-Sir Matthew Decker, Bart .- Peter Delme, Esq;-Peter Du Cane, Esq;-Abel Fonne-reau, Esq;-Ralph Knight, Esq;-Nathaniel Lloyd, Efq;-William Pearce, Efq;-Samuel Reynardson, Efq; - Gerard Van Neck, Esq; - And Mr. Harman Verelit was continued Secretary.

SATURDAY, 16.

Great Rejoicings were made on this Day, on the News of the Victory gained by the Admirals Anfon and Warren over the French Fleet. (See before, p. 201, &c.) The Park and Tower Guns were fired, and the Evening concluded with Bonfires, Illuminations, Ringing of Bells, and all other Demonstrations of Joy.

SUNDAY, 17.

There was a numerous and splendid Appearance of the Nobility, Foreign Ministers, &c. at Kensington (whither the Royal Family removed the Day before, for the Summer Season) to compliment his Majesty on the joyful News received from Vice-Admiral Anson.

The fame Day in the Morning, the faid Vice-Admiral arrived at Spitbead, with the Squadron under his Command, and their Prizes. Some of the Ships arrived a Day

or two before.

MONDAY, 18.

Vice-Admiral Anson arrived this Evening at his Apartments in the Admiralty-Office, Whitehall, from Partsmarth, where he left the Fleet to the Command of Rear-Admiral Warren. The next Day he waited an his

his Majesty, who was pleased to say, Sir, You have done me great Service, and I thank you. His Majesty also defired him to thank, in his Name, all the Officers and private Men who acted under him, for their Bravery and Conduct, with which, he faid, he was well pleased and satisfied.

TUESDAY, 19.

The great Caufe between the Officers of the Centurion Man of War, in which Admiral Anson made his Voyage round the World, and those of the Gloucester and Trial Sloop, was determined before the Council in Favour of the former. (See Mag. for 1744, p. 464.) TRUREDAY, 21.

At a Court of Common-Council held at Guildball, an Order was made for discharging those Gentlemen that have been hitherto named by former Lord Mayors to the Office of Sheriffs of this City and County of Middlefex, from being put up at the Common-Hall, by Virtue of that Nomination. The present Lord Mayor has nominated none.

SATURDAY, 23.

The Statue of Sir John Barnard, Knight and Alderman, and one of the Representatives of the City of London, was fet up in the South - West Corner of the Royal Ex-

Admiralty-Office, May 26. The Vigilant and Modeste, French East-India Strips, of 22 Guns each, being Part of the Convoy (and the only East-India Ships) which escaped from Vice-Admiral Anfon, during the Engagement on the 3d Instant, have been taken by his Majesty's Ships the Monmouth, Natingbam, and Yarmouth, which were fent by the Admiral to chase, and are brought into Fortsmouth. The Monmouth has also taken the King David from Bourdeaux, and the Charming Susan from Rochelle, bound to Cayenne, with Provisions and Merchandize, and the Orient from Rochelle, bound to Martinico; the two former are brought into Piymouth, but the Orient parted Com-pany, as did another taken by the Nottingbem, and are not yet come in.

WEDNESDAY, 27.

This Day between One and Two o'Clock, the Money taken on-board the French Fleet, by the Admirals Anfon and Warren, was brought through the City in 20 Waggons, suarded by Detachments from the several Regiments of Marines: On the first Waggon was hoisted Vice-Admiral Anson's Blue Flag; on the fixth was the French Admiral's Flag; on the twelfth was a Union-Jack; and on the feventeenth was Rear-Admiral Warren's White Flag. They paffed by the Royal-Exchange, to Bishopsgate-fired, and came through Threadneedle-street to the Benk, where the Money was lodged.

The French computed their Loss by this Defeat, at a Million and half Sterling. Four thousand Men were made Prisoners; and by this one Blow of our brave Admirals, they have quite demolished two French Expeditions, one to the East-Indies, and the other to America; either of which, had it fucceeded, must have been very prejudicial to our Country.

MARRIAGES and BIRTHS.

SIR William Milner, Bart. to Miss Eliz. Mordaunt, Niece to the late Earl of Peterborough.-William Prynn, Efq; of Charlton-Kings in Gloucestersbire, to Mis Ridler .-Edward Yorke, Elq; to Mils Mary Cole .-Thomas Reynolds, Esq; to Miss Craiges, of Hytbe in Kent. - Christopher Harrison, of Leicestersbire, Esq; to Mils Panny Wellman. -James Colebrooke, jun. Efq; to Miss Skinner. -Dr. Robert Hamilton, Professor of Botany and Anatomy in the University of Glasgow, to Miss Molly Baird .- John Potter, Eig; Secretary to the Earl of Chesterfield, to Miss Robinson .- Thomas Cox, of Kensington, Esq; to Mis Ingbam .- Capt. Hamilton, to Miss Girardet, of Greenwich, a 30,000l. Fortune.—
- Lambert, Esq; of Kent, to Mise Parsons, of Spring-Gardens .- Watfon Powell, of Bendifb-Hall in Cambridgeshire, Esq; to Mrs. Stoughton, of Warwick. - Hon, and Rev. Mr. Townsbend, youngest Brother to the Lord Visc. Townsbend, to Miss Price, Daughter of Brigadier-General Price.-The Lady of Sir Nickolas Bayly, Bart. deliver'd of a Son.—Her Grace the Duchess of Marlborough, of a Son .- The Lady of the Hon. John Grimstone, Eig; eldest Son of the Lord Visc. Grimfione, of a Son and Heir .- Countels of Carlifle, of a Daughter.—The Lady of Capt. Boscawen, who was wounded in the late Engagement, of a Daughter.

DEATHS. R OGER Parkinfon, Efq; an eminent Phygaret, Countess Dowager of Balcarras, at Edinburgh. Mr. Alexander Dunlop, Profes-for of Greek in the University of Glasgow. -Isaac Lebeup, Esq; who formerly held feveral Posts under the Government. - Geo. Potringer, Esq; one of the most considerable Timber Merchants in the Kingdom .-James Clarke, at Tirley in Gloucestersbire, aged 110. — Cutbbert Fennick, Esq; at Newcastleupon-Tyne. - Delilliers Carbonnel, Esq; for-merly a Director of the Bank. - Jobn Cookes, Esq; at Layton-flone in Effex, posses'd of a large Estate in Worcestersbire. The Lady of Sir Cecil Bistop, Batt. Miss Anne Hammond, of Teddington in Middlefex, of a confiderable Fortune, which fhe has left to her Brother and Sister. - Francis Stone, Esq; late Deputy Receiver at the General Post-Of-fice. - William Levinia, sen. Esq; of Not-Hh 2 tinghamfbire,

singhamshire, who represented that County in four Parliaments, and the Borough of Retford in three .- Rev. Dr. Foulkes, Canon of Christ-Church, Oxford, and of Exeter Cathedral .- Capt. Charles Windham, Brother to William Windbam, Esq; Receiver General to the Duke of Cumberland .- Mr. Peter Hemet, Operator of the Teeth to his Majesty .- Sir Walter Riddel, Bart. in Scotland .- Rev. Mr. James Hadde, Principal of the New College of St. Andrews .- Rt. Hon. John Earl of Stajr, Field-Marshal of his Majesty's Forces, General of the Marines, Colonel of a Regiment of Dragoons, and Governor of Minerca; an able and confummate Statefman, as his Embassies declar'd, and a wife and experienc'd General. He died in Scotland without Iffue, so that the Title devolves to his Nephew, Son to his Brother the late Col. Dalrympie. - Richard Muilins, Efq; many Years Marshal of the King's-Bench Prison .- Borlace Warren, Esq; Memb. of Parl. for Nottingbam. - James Hallyburton, of Pircurr, Esq; Father of Capt. Hallyburton, Memb. of Parl. for Orkney and Zetland .-Right Hon. the Countels of Marchmont .--Hastings Ingram, Esq; of Warwicksbire. -Sir John Langbam, of Cottesbrooke in Nor-thamptorsbire, Bart. He is succeeded by his eldest Son James, now Sir James Langbam, Bart. - James Reynolds, Esq; one of the Barons of the Exchequer .- Rt. Hon. Charles Earl of Wigtown, who dying a Bachelor, the Title is extinct -Mrs. Keeling, an eminent Brewer in Glerkenwell. - Mr. Henry Woodfall, sen. an eminent Printer, near Temple-Bar. - John Casamajor, Esq; an eminent Merchant.

Ecclefiofical PREFERMENTS.

WILLIAM Pendlebury, M. A. prefented to the Rectory of Burytherpe in Yorkfbire. - Mr. Capel Berrow, to the Rectory of Fenringley in Nottinghamshire .-Mr. James Hinckes, to the Vicarage of Stone in Staffordsbire .- Mr. Thomas Ward, to the Mother of all Saints, in Suffolk, worth 600l. per Ann. by Mrs. Rebecca Gibson, with this Reftriction, that no one should officiate for him, nor he for any other. - Mr. John Mease, to the Vicarage of Elemeston Hordwick in Gloucefter foire .- Mr. Mills, Son-in-Law to the Archbishop of Canterbury, made Præcentor and Canon of Exeter Cathedral, in the Room of Dr. Foulkes, deceased. James Ofbaldifion, M. A. presented to the Rectory of Venning in Cornwall .- Mr. Comyns, to the Rectory of Goddalfton in Lancafbire.—Mr. Hill, to the Rectory of Cud-worth, in Stafford bire,—Mr. Forrester, made Canon of Christ-Church, Oxon, in the Room of the late Dr. Foulkes .- Robert Watts, M.A. Dean of St. Edan in Ireland, made Dean of St. Canice in that Kingdom; and John Algert, D. D. made Dean of St. Edan in his doom.

PROMOTIONS Civil and Military. HE Hon. Major-General Huft, made Commander in Chief of the British Forces in Zealand .- Her Royal Highness the Princess Amelia, made Keeper and Paler of the House - Park at Hampion Court .-George Craigie, Fiq; made one of the Lords of Session in Sectland. - Sir Henry Mante, Bart, made Receiver-General of North-Britain. - Solomon Dayroile, Efq; appointed his Majesty's Resident to their High Migh. tinesses, the States-General of the United Provinces. - Edward Milbank, Efq; made Captain of a Troop in General Wade's Horse. — John Estion, Esq; made Marshal of the King's - Bench, in the Room of Riebard Mullins, Efq; deceased. - Captain Scott, made Commander of the Defiance, in the Room of the brave Capt. Granville, who was kill'd in the late Engagement. - William Er flow, Efq; made one of the Commissioners of the Revenue in Ireland .- Earl of Craufurd, made Col. of the Royal Reg. of North-British Dragoons, in the Room of the late Earl of Stair. George Augustus Elliote, Esq; Lieut. and Lieut. Col. to the fecond Troop of Horfe Grenadier Guards.—Studbolm Hodgfor, Esq., Capt. of a Company in the First Reg. of Foot Guards; and Jobn Parflow, Efq; Capt. Lieut. in his Room.

New Member.

Thomas Franklard, Efq; late Commander of the Rose Man of War, for Thirke in Yorksbire, in the Room of Sir Thomas Frankland, Bart. deceased.

Perfons declared BANKRUPTS. LIZ ABETH Wood, of Blackman Street, Surry, Widow, Chapwoman, and Dealer in Hories .- Paul Crefpin, of St. Anni't, Sobo, Silver-smith. - John Living the young-er, late of Egbam Hyrbe, in Surrey, Brewer. -William Holmes, now or late of Stanford, in Shropshire. Ironmonger.—William Brett, of St. John's, Wapping, Cooper.—Lomax Lewis, of Airsworth, Lancashire, Chapman.—John Everard, of Colchister, Brickleyer.—Durcan Campbell, of Swanzey, in Glamorganshire, Chapman Pales. Shopkeeper and Dealer .- Robert Bell, of Brain-tree, in Effex, Clothier .- Samuel Biftop, now or late of Cirencefter, Mercer .- John Bifort, now or late of Cirenceffer, Woolstapler .- Richard Bishop, now or late of Girencester, Seedl-man. - Richard Fleet, of Bishopsgate Street, Baker .- John Graves . of London, Merchant. -Robert Thexton, of Sexlingbam, in Norfolt. Chaoman and Dealer in Coals. - Francis Holmes, of St. John's, Wapping, Ironmonger.
-Francis Hawkefley, of Wapping, Diffiller.
-William Purdy, of Normich, Dyer. -Stephen Peters, of St. Bartholomew the Great, Broker. - Thomas Wilson, of King's Lynn, in Norfolk, Joiner. PRICE:

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N our last we lest the Detachment of the Freeb Army under Count Lewendabl employed in the Siege of Hulft, and as the chief Desence of the Place consists in a Fort called the Sandberg, the Besiegers applied their whole Force and Skill towards making themselves Masters of that Fortrefs, which after three fruitless Attempts, in which they loft a great Number of Men, they at last effected, and on the 28th ult. the Garifon furrendered the Place, on Condition that General La Roque, who commanded, together with 400 Men, and 3 Field Pieces, should march out with military Honours, but that the rest of the Garison, which in the whole confifted of five Battalions of Foot, and two Squadrons of Dragoons, should remain Prisoners of War. On the 5th Inst. the Town of Axel like-wife surrendered, on Condition that the Garison should march out with all the Honours of War; and all the Dutch Troops, together with the three British Battalions that had been landed there from England, were embarked, and carried over to South Bevelund; so that the French have made themselves Masters of all Dutch Flanders, before being obliged to take the Field with their Grand Army, which, during all this Time, were lying quiet in their Cantonments about Mechlin and Lowain.

As to the two great Armies in Brabant, nothing confiderable has as yet happened between them. That of the Allies continued encamped near Antwerp till the 15th Inft. when it made a Motion, and encamped between the Great and Little Netbe, with the Right at Liere, and the Left at Ging Fontaines; and the French were, it feems, fo fure of not being attacked, that they continued in their Cantonments till the 21st N.S. when their Infantry marched to the Camp marked out for them behind the Dyle, between Lowvain and Mechlin. But as the French King arrived in his Army on the 20th Inft. C. S. as their Troops are marching from all Quarters to join the Grand Army, and as the two Armies are not above ten Miles afunder, it is expedied that fomething of Importance will foon happen. In the mean Time, the French Detachment that reduced Dateb Flanders have erected a Battery on the Side of the Schelde, overagainst Li lo, and are daily battering that Fortress, in order to make the Reduction of it more easy in Case they should defeat the Allied Army, or oblige them to move to the Left for the Defence of Maesteitht. On the other Hand, the Austrian Hustars are daily making Incorfions even within the Posts of the Enemy, feven of these brave Fellows having lately carried off M. de Beranger, and M. de Polignae, the first a Lieutenant-General, and

the last a Brigadier, from the very Middle of the French Guards, upon the Road from Namur to Brussels.

Then as to our Accounts from Genea, they are so contradictory, that there is no Credit to be given to any of them. All we can depend on, is, that the Auftrian Army, in purfuance of a new Treaty, has been reinforced by a large Body of Sardia nian Troops; that their heavy Artillery are not yet arrived; that a great Number of the French and Spanish Troops sent by Sea to Genea, have been intercepted and taken by the British Squadron; and that the French and Spanish Army in Provence are upon the Point of paffing the Var, and making an Irruption into Piedment. And if any Credit can be given to the last Accounts from Naples, the Army of that Crown is upon the Point of marching through the Ecclefiaftical State to the Affistance of the Genocfe.

On the 18th Inft. the States General refolved upon making an Augmentation of 30,000 Men to their Troops; and the next Day they refolved upon recalling M. Van Hoey from Paris; but, it feems, he is to leave his Secretary to take Care of their Affairs at that Court; fo that their High Mightineffes have not yet refolved upon a Declaration of War against France. However, we may judge of the Sentiments of their Stadtholder from the Speech delivered by Count Bentinck, when he introduced his most Serene Highness into the Council of State; (fee p. 206.) for as that Speech was certainly communicated to him, before it was delivered, we cannot suppose he would have allowed of such harsh Expressions against the French King, if he had thought of keeping any Measures with that Court.

His Serene Highners, fince his Election, has made a Tour through the Province of Zealand, and in all Places as he passed, was received with the most general, and the most joyful Acclamations of the People; but he does not proceed so far as the Army, being, by the last Accounts, upon the Point of returning to the Hague.

M. du Thiel, the French Plenipotentiary, having received fresh Orders from his Court, he immediately went to the House of Count Wassenar, and was accompanied thither by M. Macanas, the Spanish Minister Plenipotentiary, who jointly declared to the Count, that their Most Christian and Catholick Majesties no longer opposed the Admission of the Ministers from the Courts of Vicence and Turin to the Conserences, nor those of any other Powers which might have any Interest to discuss therein: But as the Proximity of the Armies prevented their Continuance at Breda with requisite Tranquillity and Decency, their Majesties

defired that a freer Place should be pitched upon; that to this End they proposed, for the ulterior holding of the Conferences, the Towns of Ax la Chapelle, Cologn, Duffeldorp, Triers, or Worms, and left it to the Choice of the Allied Powers to fix upon one of these Places, to the End that a general Congress for a Peace might be established there. Meff. du Thiel and de Maunas defired Count Waffenaar, at the fame Time, to procure them the necessary Passports in order to retire, the first to the Army of the King his Mafter, and the other to Gbent.

From Vienna of the 24th ult. we have an Account, that her Imperial Majesty had been fafely delivered at Schonbrun of an Arch Duke, who was baptized by the Pope's Nuncio, by the Names of Peter, Leopold, &c. and that both her Majesty and the young Prince were in a fair Way of doing well.

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